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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Sweeping Criticism

THE degree to which Europeans in Malaya and Singapore avoid shouldering their civic responsibilities can probably best be assessed by individual heart-searching on the part of those who stand accused. Sir Gerald Templer, the new High Commissioner for Malaya, has indulged in some frank criticism, but in very general terms—possibly too general, inasmuch that his observations made in Singapore and Kuala Lumpur may well leave the impression that the European community as a whole shows unwillingness to make any spontaneous or voluntary effort to assist the Authorities in their campaign to wipe out militant Communism in the country. We should imagine nothing could be further from the truth. Whatever their shortcomings, the Europeans in Singapore and Malaya have played a notable role in the developing of the country, of fostering improvements, social and economic, and of rising to an emergency. To suggest their only interests outside of business is golf and cocktail parties is, we believe, somewhat unfair.

IT is not the first instance when, in troublesome times, the Europeans in Singapore and Malaya have been accused of indifference to the situation. Similar allegations were made during the 1941-42 hostilities, yet there was little basis for them. It is recalled too, that Hongkong was accused in 1941 by more than one temporary visitor that we had "buried our head in the sands," and were "behaving like ostriches." It was an unwarranted suggestion. Most of the community had a firm appreciation of the realities of the situation; it was simply that nothing of a spectacular nature could be done about it. Today, in Singapore and Malaya, Sir Gerald Templer believes that the Europeans could identify themselves more positively and usefully with the official anti-Communist campaign by voluntary social work. The High Commissioner very probably has a good point, but the appeal might have been more persuasive had he bracketed all sections of the non-Communist community with it. Europeans are not the only inhabitants who like to indulge in sport and cocktail parties.

Squatter Areas

THE report and recommendations of the Hongkong Reform Club on the resettlement of squatters in the Shaukiwan area is an encouraging example of the practical activities of the Club. The public generally will endorse the principles behind the recommendations and will expect Government to apply the policy; as far as is practically possible, of completing resettlement sites before clearing existing squatter areas. Another useful suggestion is that present squatter villages should be made safer for the inhabitants by the creation of fire lanes and the provision of sewerage facilities. These two proposals at least merit consideration, for, as it has been officially acknowledged, the squatters' resettlement scheme must take some time to fulfil its entirety. Meanwhile it is important that fire hazards in the temporary squatter areas should be reduced as far as possible and health safeguards provided. The public will await with interest Government's response to the Reform Club's recommendations.

SEDITION TRIAL DEFENCE OPENS

Soldiers Lost In Sandstorm

Ismailla, Apr. 27. Seven British soldiers, one of them an officer, have been missing for 48 hours in the Jordan Desert, where violent sandstorms today blotted out the sun and held up rescue attempts. But though planes were unable to take off through the driving sand to seek the men, the Arab Legion today blotted out the sun and held up rescue attempts. The missing men here are runners from the 30th Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment and they have a self-propelled Bofors gun with them. They had been taking part in the British Army exercise over 150 square miles of barren desert, hemmed in on one side by the mountainous area east of Akaba and by the Saudi Arabian border on the other.—Reuter.

AIRMAN'S VAIN SACRIFICE

Jet Plane Tragedy At Broadstairs

Margate, Apr. 27. An American fighter pilot sacrificed his life in a vain try to crash his flaming Thunderjet clear of a village near here today.

"She is on fire. I am circling, trying to get to the field," he radioed to the base.

Then, in a final message, he said: "It looks as though there is nothing I can do about it."

The jet plunged flaming into a bank building in the high street of the old world village of St. Peters, Broadstairs, killing the pilot, Captain Clifford Fogarty, 29, of New York City.

Three villagers were injured and two reported missing. Nearby houses caught fire and the bank was badly damaged.

A crowded congregation was worshipping in the parish church only 125 yards away from the scene of the crash.

WALL OF FIRE

"The plane burst into flames over the sea and dived to earth with flames three times as long as itself trailing behind it," an eyewitness said.

The flames, fed by spurts of petrol, lighted the narrow village street and divided rescue workers with a roaring wall of fire. Exploding bullets sprayed vigorously in all directions.

The plane was one of four which had just taken off from Manston American Air Force Station.

One of Fogarty's fellow pilots described the crash as follows:

"We have just taken off from Manston when he saw his plane was on fire."

"He could have easily baled out and saved his life but he tried to clear the village," Reuter.

Quarter Of A Million Cattle Die In Drought

New Delhi, Apr. 27. A quarter of a million cattle were feared today to have died during the past few weeks in a drought which has gripped large areas of south and northwest India.

Thousands more will die from lack of water and fodder in the next six weeks before the monsoon rains break in mid-June.

The worst affected areas are in the Rajasthan district, of Northern Madras, where drought has dried up wells and tanks over an area of 10,000 square miles after the failure of the monsoon for the fifth successive year.

In the Hissar area of the Punjab, 100,000 cattle have died already. Thousands of cows and buffaloes are reported to be

Counsel Says He Has Duty To All The Colony's Newspapers ADDRESS TO THE JURY

Addressing the jury in opening the defence in the trial of the publisher, printer and editor of the Ta Kung Pao, who are charged with sedition, Mr Percy Chen this morning said that it must be the duty of the defence on behalf of all the newspapers in the Colony, to ask what are the limitations which shall be placed by law upon the publication of newspapers in Hongkong. He declared this to be a fundamental problem.

Mr Chen contended that the kind of newspaper the Government wanted in Hongkong was that which would only write things favourable to the Government, that the newspaper will voluntarily censor the material it prints, and that it will not put both sides of the question.

He added that the Government wished the jury to sanction the proposition that intelligent citizens of Hongkong do not want to read about what other people are saying, but to close their ears like the three monkeys, and to see no evil, hear no evil and speak no evil.

The trial is being heard before Mr Justice Williams and a special jury.

In his address, Mr Chen said that it was his function now to open the case for the defendants who were charged by way of criminal information under the Sedition Ordinance. In the charge there were certain statements or phrases in brackets which were alleged by the Crown to be the true meaning of the words which were actually used and these were known as innuendos. Evidence of the innuendos was given by Chan Kwok-ying and Mr Barnett also gave some evidence on that.

"Before I go further I would like to call your attention to this, that the allegation of this writing—I will not call it an article and will call it a writing and not anything else—is a seditious publication concerning the Government of this Colony so that we have the charge of the Crown confining itself to the one allegation," said Mr Chen.

The jury, he said, had listened to the case intelligently so far but they still might not quite have followed what the Crown was getting at, he said. His role in the trial was that he was the mouthpiece for the cause of the defence. A learned Judge had said that the exertions of an advocate were for hire.

CONSCIENCE GUARDIAN

Mr Chen referred to writings by Mr Justice Singleton in which he said that lawyers were the custodians of civilisation. "I would add that the advocate, the lawyer, is the guardian of the conscience of the community in which he lives," said Mr Chen.

Where there was strong rule the law always prevailed but where there was weak rule then we got to a state similar to what Europe suffered from. The law and the history of the law in England was punctuated by great jurists.

Lawyers and judges were brothers of a close fraternity. Mr Chen said that he had been at the Bar for 30 years and was asked to the Middle

Temple. "We learn and gather experience as to how to conduct our cases in the interests of our clients and certain advice is given by a judge on the examination of witnesses and on the recording of objections. In this trial there have been many interruptions on my part, but this was done in strict accordance with the rules," remarked Counsel.

"We, the learned Judge and myself, are brothers in the law and that means that when a case is over and we are in the Mess, all is forgotten. There is no all-humour in the Court because I am fighting my case in the way I see it and I am fighting it under very difficult circumstances. I am carrying out instructions given me by my solicitor, which are in turn given to him by my clients. If I may be insulting to the Court, no responsibility attaches whatever to my solicitor. It is mine alone."

Mr Chen referred to the Legal Practitioners Ordinance and turned to the passage in which the Supreme Court had powers to deal with a barrister who misconducted himself.

"Up to now I have had to take the case for the prosecution in an atmosphere, which is a political atmosphere—I am not talking of the atmosphere of the Court—I am talking of the atmosphere which pervades this particular prosecution," said Mr Chen.

"This is a political case, there is no doubt about that. My learned friend, Mr Hooton, attempted to tell you that this is not a political case. It is a political case. Recalling the Wars of the Roses, the Hundred Years War, Hitler, Fascism and other matters pertaining to politics, Mr Chen said that with all these there was always a rise and fall.

"We pride ourselves that in the laws of England, the fundamental principles go on from day to day, year to year, generation to generation, and century to century," said Mr Chen.

Counsel said that no matter whether a man was a Greek, Swiss, American, Chinese or Eskimo, once he lives in the Queen's domain he owed temporary allegiance to Her Majesty. He had certain duties to perform and certain rights and may receive a passport and was accorded protection wherever he went.

This was a political case, said Mr Chen, in that the Crown were seeking to crush the expressions of opinion in writings in the newspaper in these particular circumstances.

"The circumstances are such that it must be the duty of the defence, on behalf of the Ta Kung Pao and on behalf of all the newspapers in the Colony, the Wen Wei Po, Kung Shing Po, Wah Kiu Yat Po, South China Morning Post, China Mail and Hongkong Standard, to ask what are the limitations which shall be placed by law upon the publication of newspapers in Hongkong. It is a most fundamental problem, gentlemen of the jury."

"You are going to be asked to say in Hongkong that there

should be limitations placed upon the newspapers. You are going to be asked to give sanction of the law on newspapers in these circumstances. You are going to be asked to find facts upon which there is going to be a prohibition placed upon newspapers which will stand until it is erased by an act of Parliament, in this case by the Legislative Council of this Colony."

The Governor-in-Council had power to suspend a newspaper as a disciplinary measure. The Government, in the person of the Attorney General, was in a position to give advice to the authorities, the Registrar of Newspapers, and the Commissioner of Police who was the licensee of all printing machinery.

The Government were coming to the Court by way of criminal information in order to get the jury's sanction to say what in effect is this: that the kind of newspaper we want in Hongkong is the kind of newspaper such as the South China Morning Post, that is, that the newspaper will only write things which are favourable to the Government, that that newspaper will voluntarily censor the material it prints, that it will not put both sides of the question. Also that we, as intelligent citizens of Hongkong, do not want to read about what other people are saying but close our ears like the three monkeys, see no evil, hear no evil and speak no evil.

Mr Chen pointed out that he only cited the S.C.M. Post as an example; he might say the same about the Wah Kiu Yat Po or any other newspaper.

"I say that my learned friend is going to fail in his prosecution," declared Mr Chen, "not from the point of view of Communism, Protestantism or any other term, but this case is political in the bigger sense of freedom of speech and freedom of mind."

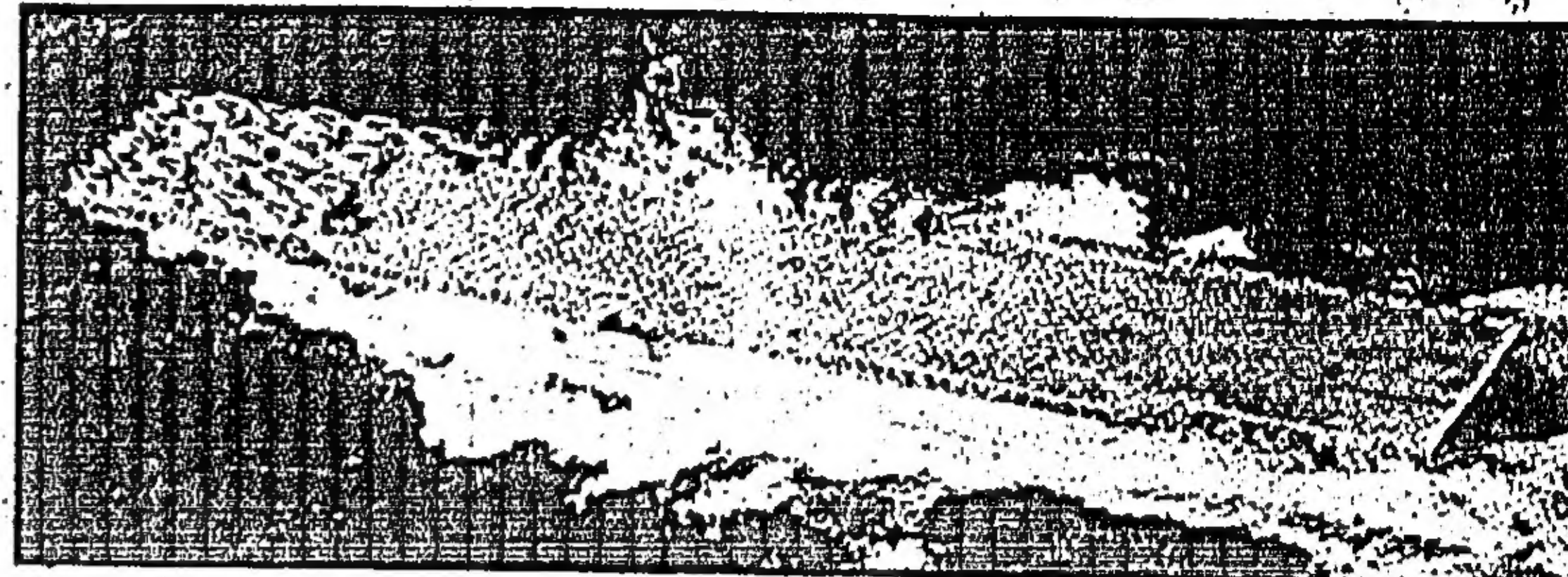
COUNSEL'S CONTENTION

Mr Chen contended that all that was fit to print should be printed unless it was complete lies or obscene. The people should read all that was fit to be printed from all parts of the world, as was done in the New York Times, and thus there would be a more intelligent community. "Put the news before the public and let them judge for themselves," he said.

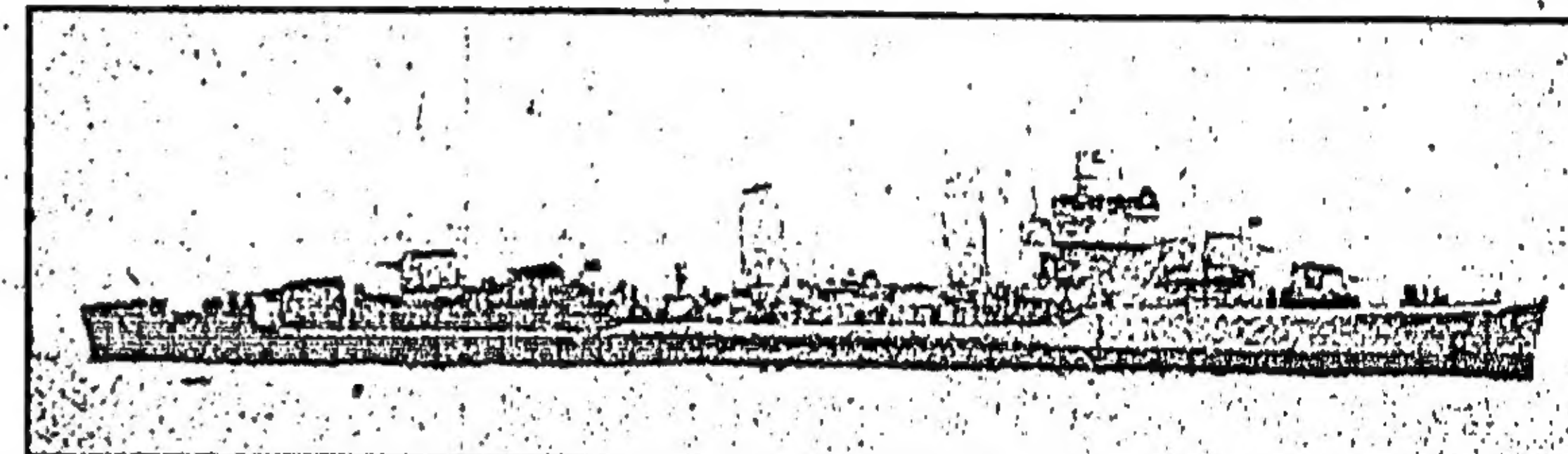
In his opening Mr Hooton in addition to telling the jury that this was not a political case, said Mr Chen, Mr Hooton did not give them any law at all except for a few general statements. "He failed to give you what is the meat of the law," he said.

The jury's verdict would have to be on special questions which would assist the Court in coming to a conclusion, he added. He said that where libel and slander were involved there were great difficulties, both for the prosecution and the defence, as well as for the Judge and jury because they were complicated questions.

Mr Chen said that Mr Hooton did not give guidance to the jury. (Could see back page, Col. 9)



Above the US aircraft-carrier Wasp, and below, the US destroyer-minesweeper Hobson, which were involved in a collision in the Atlantic yesterday. The Hobson was sunk and loss of life is feared to be between 170 and 180 men.



US Minesweeper Sunk By Carrier In Collision

HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE

Washington, Apr. 27. The destroyer-minesweeper Hobson sank in the turbulent Atlantic last night after a high-speed collision with the aircraft-carrier Wasp and the Navy today reported the possible loss of 176 lives.

Atlantic Fleet Headquarters announced tonight that 61 survivors were picked up after the sinking of the Hobson in the Atlantic.

The Navy said the survivors were picked up by the aircraft-carrier Wasp and the destroyer Rodman and were being taken to New York.

A spokesman said details were lacking because of the high seas and the inky black night. He said a 15-knot wind from the southwest was stirring up the rough sea and "confused" the situation.

The Hobson and the Wasp collided during high-speed manoeuvres in mid-Atlantic last night. At the warship's home port of Norfolk, Virginia, the Navy said an unconfirmed report by an amateur radio operator said 60 survivors were picked up from the Hobson but the Navy said it could give no details on casualties pending completion of the operations, which were continuing.

An official said it would be "correct to assume" lives were lost "about the minesweeper." The Navy said the Hobson, a former destroyer, had a normal crew of 13 officers and 212 enlisted men but there might have been more aboard when the 1,000-ton vessel was knifed by the 27,000-ton aircraft-carrier, veteran of Pacific fighting in World War II.

HIT ON STARBOARD

The Navy said: "The number of casualties on the Hobson is not known at present and probably will not be known definitely for 24 to 48 hours." It added that the Wasp "presumably" suffered no casualties. The accident occurred at 1:38 a.m. GMT Sunday about 1,200 miles east of Boston while the Wasp and Hobson were engaged in simulated air strikes along with another destroyer escort, the USS Rodman, which was not involved in the collision.

The Wasp was turning into the wind to retrieve her planes when the accident occurred. The Navy estimated that both the Wasp and the Hobson were making from 20 to 25 knots. The minesweeper was struck on the starboard side and it was not known how long she remained afloat.

The carrier was slashed along the waterline, about 75 feet from the bow, and was proceeding to New York at the greatly reduced speed of about 10 knots. The Wasp, which was being escorted to port by the Rodman, is commanded by Captain B. C. McCaffree. The Hobson was under the command of Lt-Commander W. J. Tierney.

The Hobson and Wasp were part of a 25-ship task group en route to Europe to relieve units of the United States Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean. Sixteen of the ships left Norfolk while the Wasp and Hobson were en route to Europe from Moorehead City, North Carolina, where they picked up Marine contingents.

Navy vessels in the area immediately sped to the rescue of

Collide In Atlantic

Fatal Fall In Bath Tub

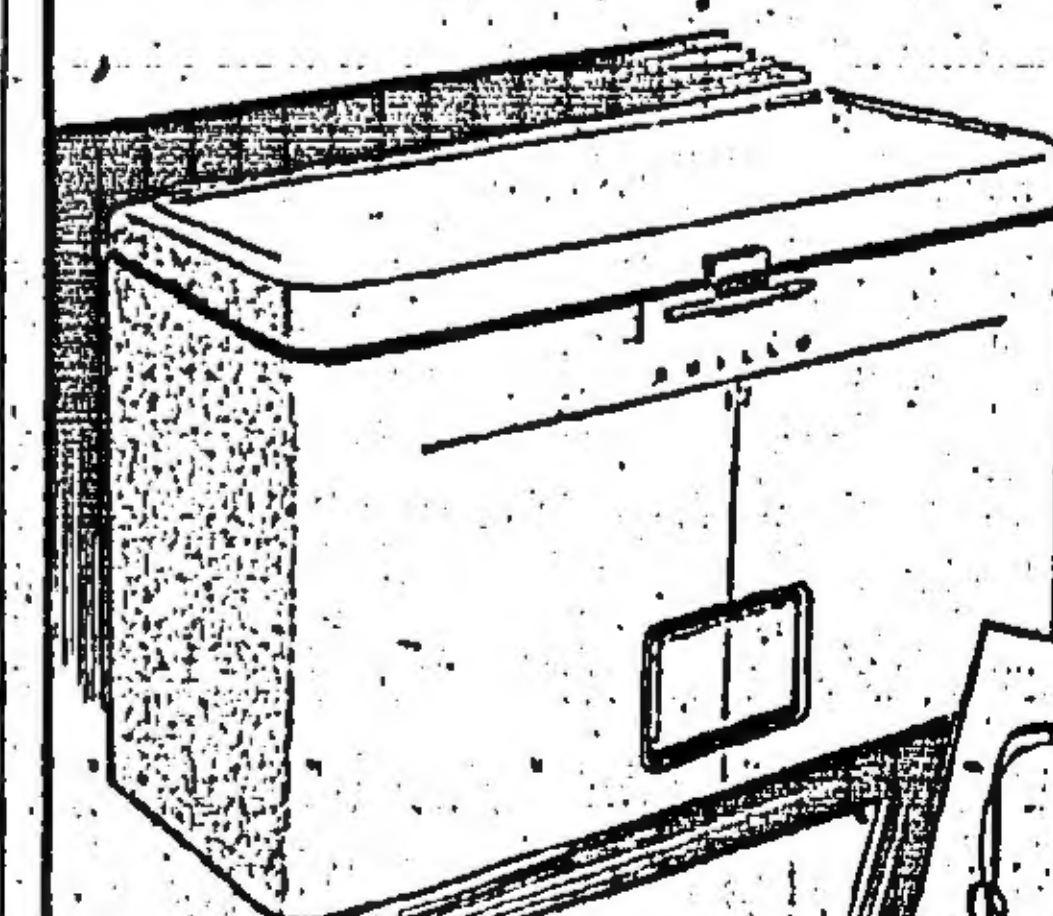
London, Apr. 27. Derek Charles Alford, 10 of Northcote Road, Walthamstow, died in hospital today after doctors had tried throughout the night to save his life. He was found lying in a bathful of water in the scullery of his home last night, having apparently fallen in while using an electric hair dryer. Doctors and ambulance men applied artificial respiration for four hours until an iron lung was taken to the house. He was then placed in the lung and taken to hospital, but died four hours later.—Reuter.

Disturbances In Ecuador

Quito, Ecuador, Apr. 27. One man was killed and 22 were seriously injured in disturbances arising from the arrival here of Jose Maria Velasco Ibarra, twice President of Ecuador and now campaigning for presidential election later this year. Velasco Ibarra arrived in the Ecuador capital yesterday afternoon and there were continual clashes between his supporters and their political opponents, despite State Police measures. Shots were fired on both sides.—Reuter.

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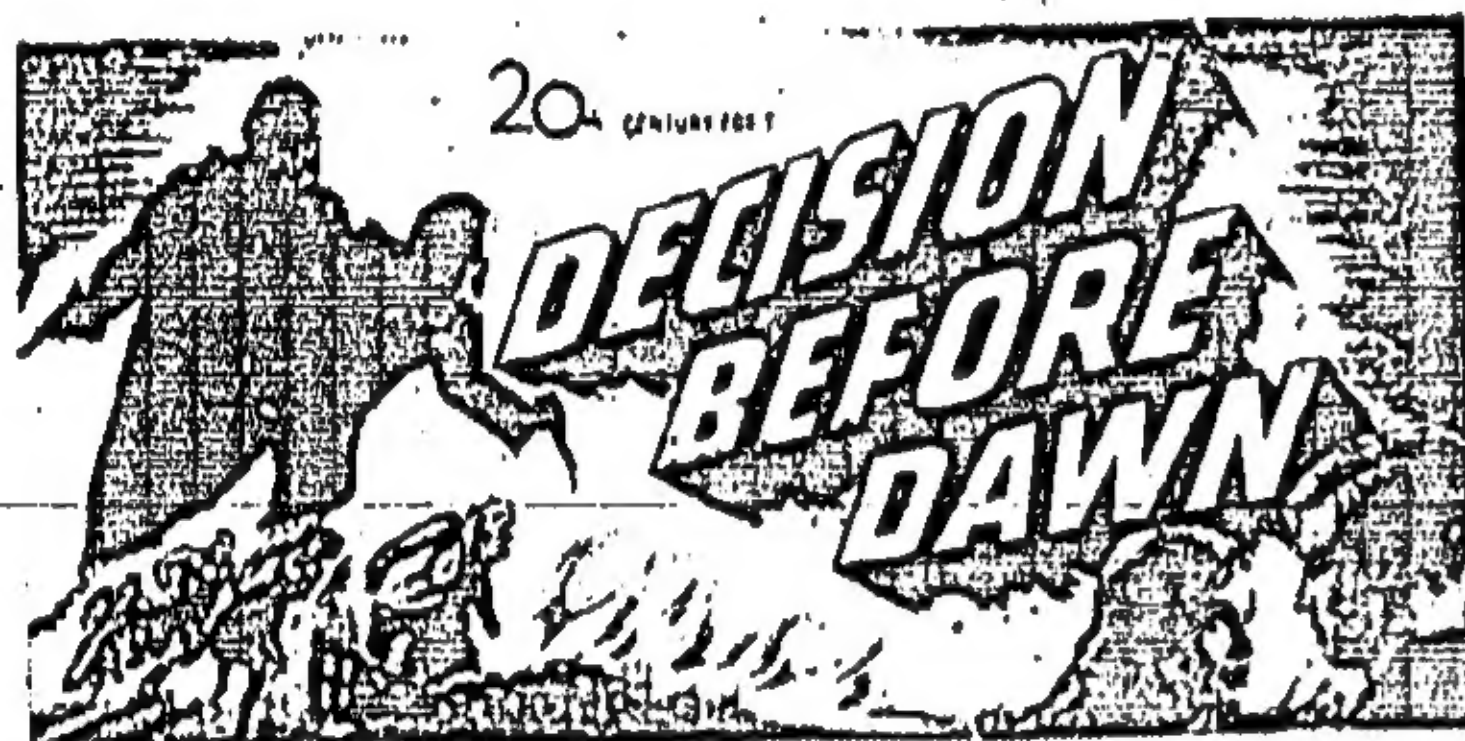


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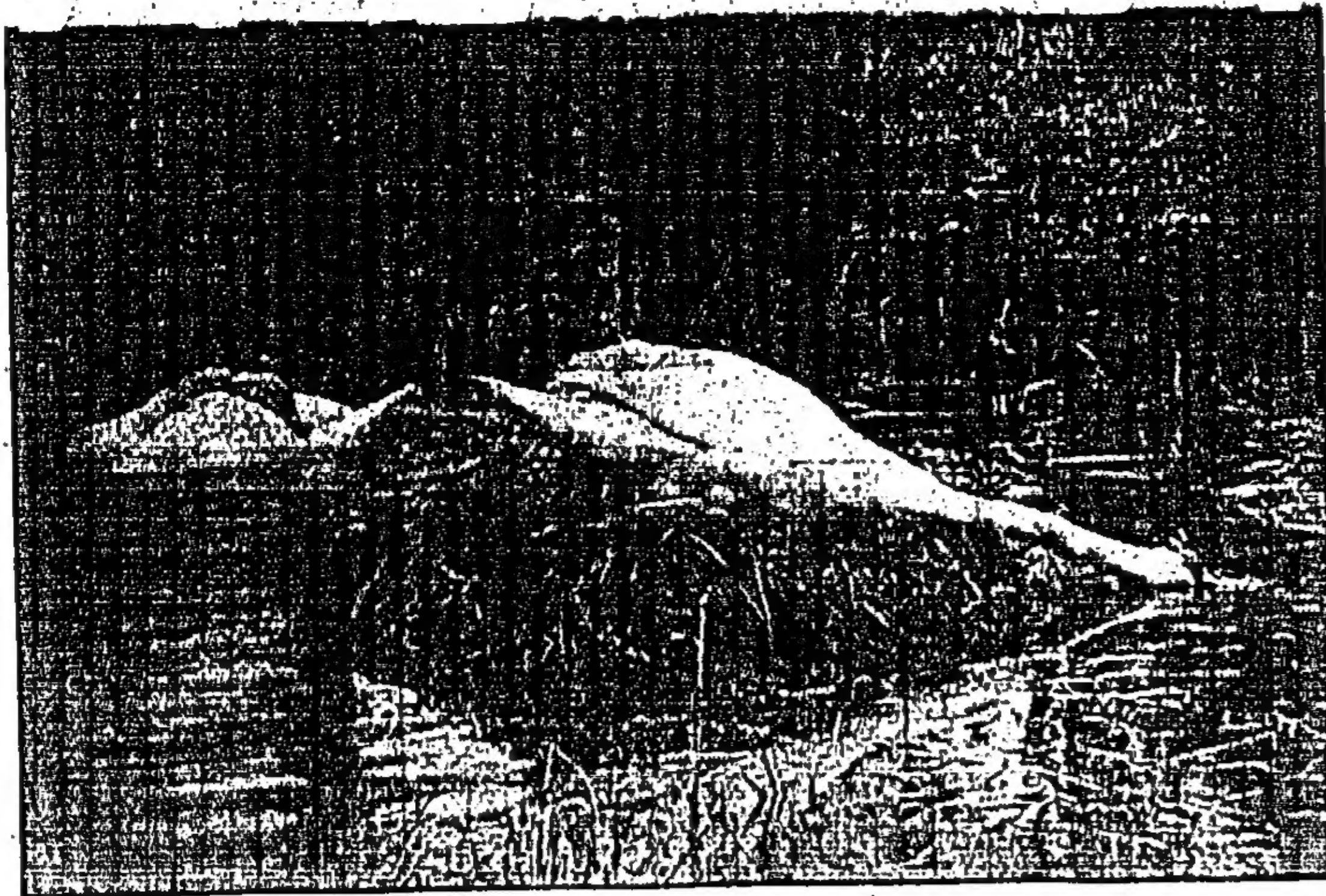
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Mrs. Swan Builds At Full Stretch



A swan's long and strong neck is very useful on a building job. Mrs. Swan, sitting on her partly built nest near Blaby, Leicestershire, is shown reaching out for another beakful of reeds. Her husband, keeping guard, occasionally pushes a little more building material up to his spouse. Swans often build their nests to a height of two feet and as much as six feet in diameter. — Reuterphoto.

West Fears Lengthy Wrangle With Russia Over Germany

Washington, Apr. 27.

Informed sources today said that the Big Three Western powers were considering a proposal to give the Soviet Union a detailed statement of what constitutes "free all-German elections."

Such elections were set forth by the Western powers in a joint note to the Kremlin last month as the first indispensable condition for progress of unity and a peace treaty for Germany.

Under what is regarded here as discreet prodding by the West German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, the British, French and American diplomats are thinking of stating exactly what they have in mind.

Those officials who favour these tactics believe such a statement would force the Soviets to show their hand on the unity issue, by accepting the Western idea of free elections, remaining silent or dodging the issue. Other experts fear, however, the Soviet might hand the Soviet a "pre-emptive" argument on details and definitions.

This prospect of a lengthy four-power wrangle over unification of Germany concerns the Western leaders. They fear it might shift attention from the European defence community and the Western Allied and German peace conference and bog down indefinitely integration of Germany with the West.

Staff talks have been under way in London, Paris and Washington on the Western

reply to Russia, and diplomatic sources said the governments had not yet thought out their positions on the reply. Eventually, representatives of the three governments will get together in London and draft a joint note to the Kremlin.

THE POSITION
After an exchange of notes with the Russians on March 10, diplomatic manoeuvring over German peace and unity stands thus:

The Soviet Union proposed four-power talks leading to formation of an all-German government and conclusion of a treaty setting up an independent Germany.

The Western Powers rejected the Soviet treaty proposals in general and demanded establishment of a "free all-German government" as a prior condition to any Big Four discussions. They suggested the process could get started if Russia would admit a United Nations investigating commission to East Germany to see if free elections are possible.

The Kremlin rejected the UN commission idea but thought the four occupying powers might be able to look into electoral conditions in Germany.

ADENAUER'S VIEW
In a radio interview recently, Dr. Adenauer specified, as the principal goal of his government, reunification of Germany. He seemed to suggest, according to officials here, that the Western powers should show a little more enthusiasm for the idea, specifically by getting down to cases with the Russians on the free-election issue.

These officials said the United States was sympathetic toward the Adenauer viewpoint. The problem for which there was no ready solution was how to move ahead on unity negotiations without inviting long and fruitless four-power discussions of the German question such as took place for four months in Paris last year.

They explained that this country would not be so wary of Big Four talks if it could be believed Russia really wanted to see Germany reunified now.

The consensus in official quarters is that the Communist unity campaign has but one goal — to check up on strength in the West. — United Press.

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West Berlin Warned Of Trouble

Berlin, Apr. 27.

The West Berlin Mayor, Dr. Ernst Reuter, warned Berliners of a broad-based today that the Communists were likely to stage new demonstrations which would be more violent than those recently directed against the Western sectors.

Dr. Reuter said that the people in the Soviet sector had called for such demonstrations which were of no great use.

Resolving to use new tactics they were now coming from the East in small organised groups, he added.

He voiced confidence that the West Berlin police, who had already overcome so many difficulties, would also be able to handle the matter with firmness and energy.

Speaking of Berlin's economic situation, Dr. Reuter said the city's authorities planned to set up a kind of general staff with a view to expanding Berlin's economy and to negotiate agreements in order to create new industries and obtain outlets for these industries. — France-Press.

First Meeting Of New Party In Selangor

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 27.

The newly-formed Selangor Labour Party declared today that they opposed Indian Prime Minister Nehru's demand for the admission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations.

The party's first annual meeting also decided they opposed any unprincipled encroachment on civil liberties by collective punishment.

Speakers made no direct references to collective punishment recently imposed on villages in the Federation for non-co-operation in the fight against terrorists.

The President of the Party, K. C. Chua, a lawyer, said that if Malaysia were to become independent she must have Malayan civil servants as well as Malayan Ministers. To achieve this goal, he added, a plan must be made to all the civil service with Malaysians.

Mr. Chua also asked why the proposed Malayan army should absorb the five battalions of the Malay Regiment instead of allowing the regiment to continue as a racial force. — Reuter.

Discovered Six Weeks Later

Innsbruck, Apr. 27.

Tyrol Police said today that they had found in the debris of an avalanche the well-preserved body of a 32-year-old Austrian clerk, Guenther Zmuck, of Vienna. It shows no signs of injury.

The body was found on the Putzthalpe, north of St Jakob on Arlberg.

The Police believed that it was buried by the avalanche six weeks ago. Zmuck had not been reported missing, the Police said. — Reuter.

New Majlis Opened In Teheran

Teheran, Apr. 27.

The Persian Premier, Dr. Mohammad Mossadeq, did not attend today's opening of the seventeenth Majlis (Lower House of Parliament). It was learned that he is still ailing.

The Majlis adjourned after the Shah's speech, but re-assembled later to elect its oldest member, Sa'ad Mahmuluk Orangi, as temporary Chairman to conduct House proceedings.

The Shah drove in State from his Palace to the Majlis and was cheered by crowds lining the route.

The Shah's 10-minute speech included an appeal to the Majlis to further the well-being of the poorer classes by the fullest use of Persia's underground and natural resources, especially oil.

According to custom, the present Government must resign to enable the Shah, in consultation with Parliament, to choose a new Premier.

Informed circles today thought that it might take more than a week for the new government to be formed.

There was no indication today when Dr. Mossadeq will time his Government's resignation.

A Government spokesman, Javad Boushiki, drew the attention of Pressmen to the passage in the Shah's speech relating to social justice and said that the Government would follow these wishes. — Reuter.

Fighter Pilot Shortage

Washington, Apr. 27.

U.S. Air Force leaders told a Senate committee today that, for the first time, they are having difficulty in getting enough first-rate aircrew for combat planes.

The committee is considering proposals to cut or eliminate flying pay and other incentives in the armed services.

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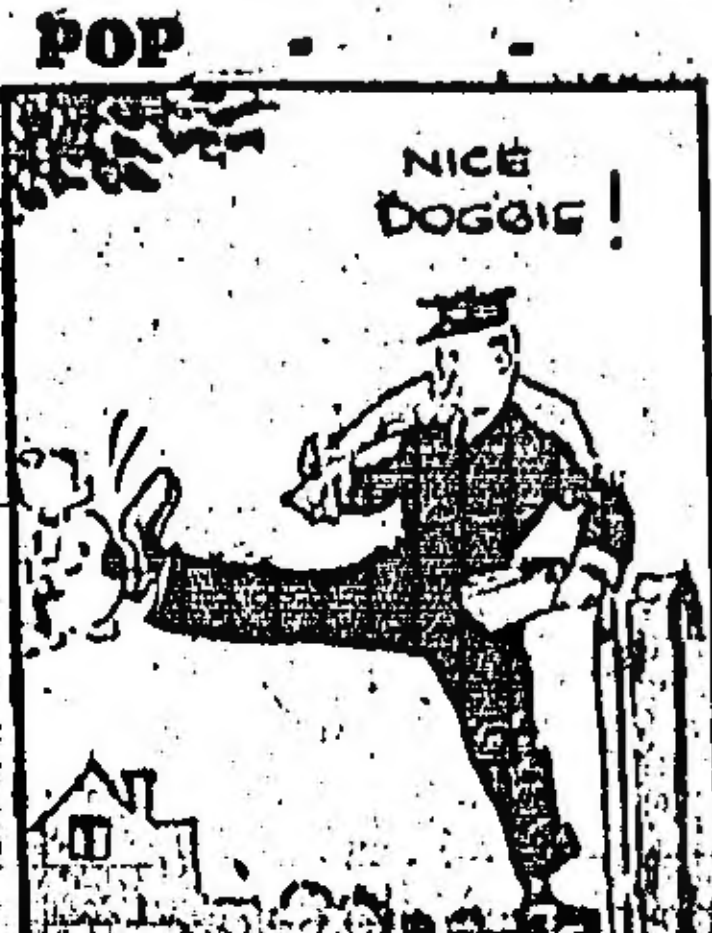
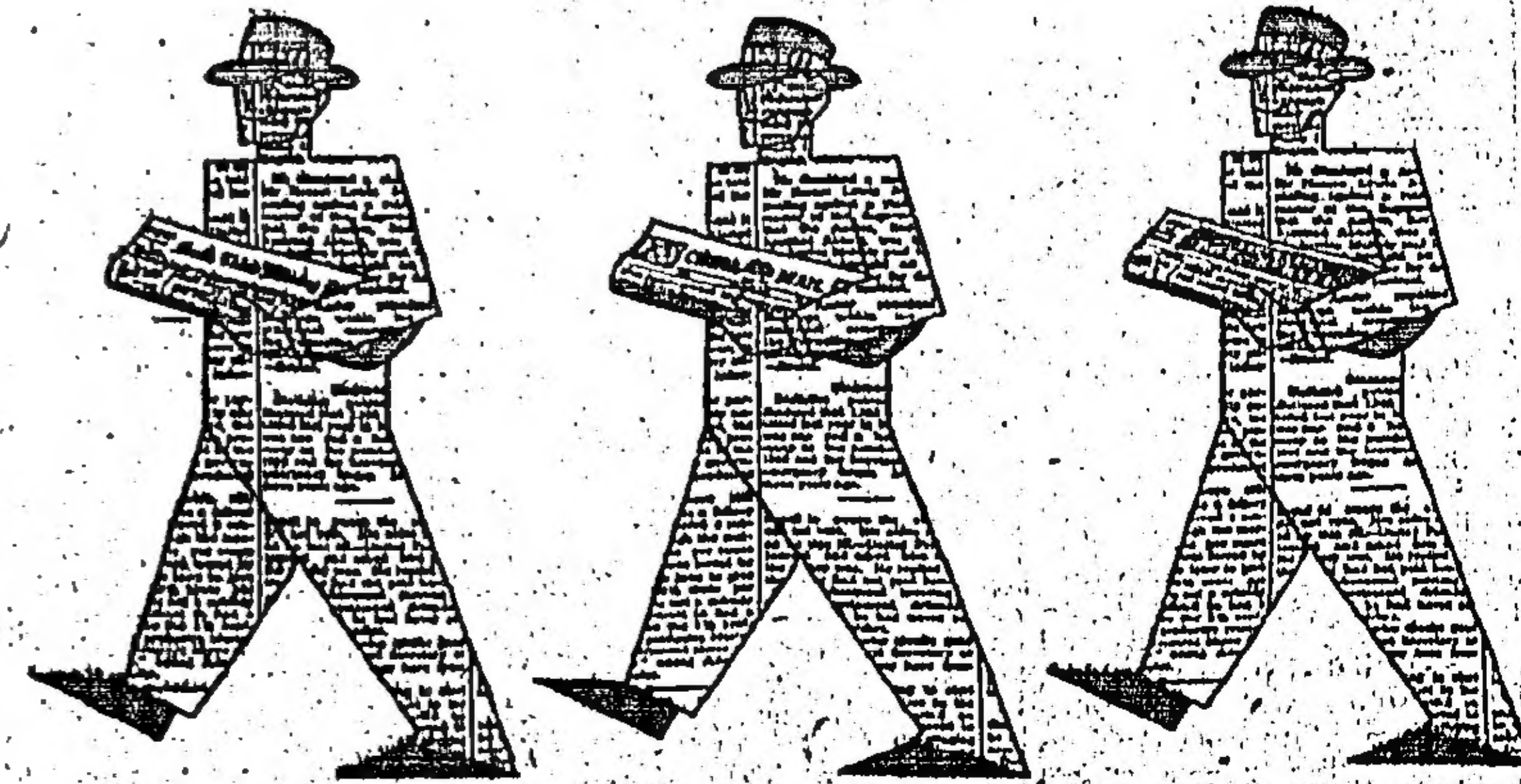
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18-Month-Old
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A study of 14-year-old Miss Fitzalan-Howard during final preparations at her Chelsea home before she left to be one of the bridesmaids at the wedding of her aunt, Miss Miriam Fitzalan-Howard, daughter of Lord Howard of Glossop and Baroness Beaumont, to Lt. T.B.P. Hubbard, R.N., at St. Mary's Church, Cadogan Gardens, London.—Central Press.

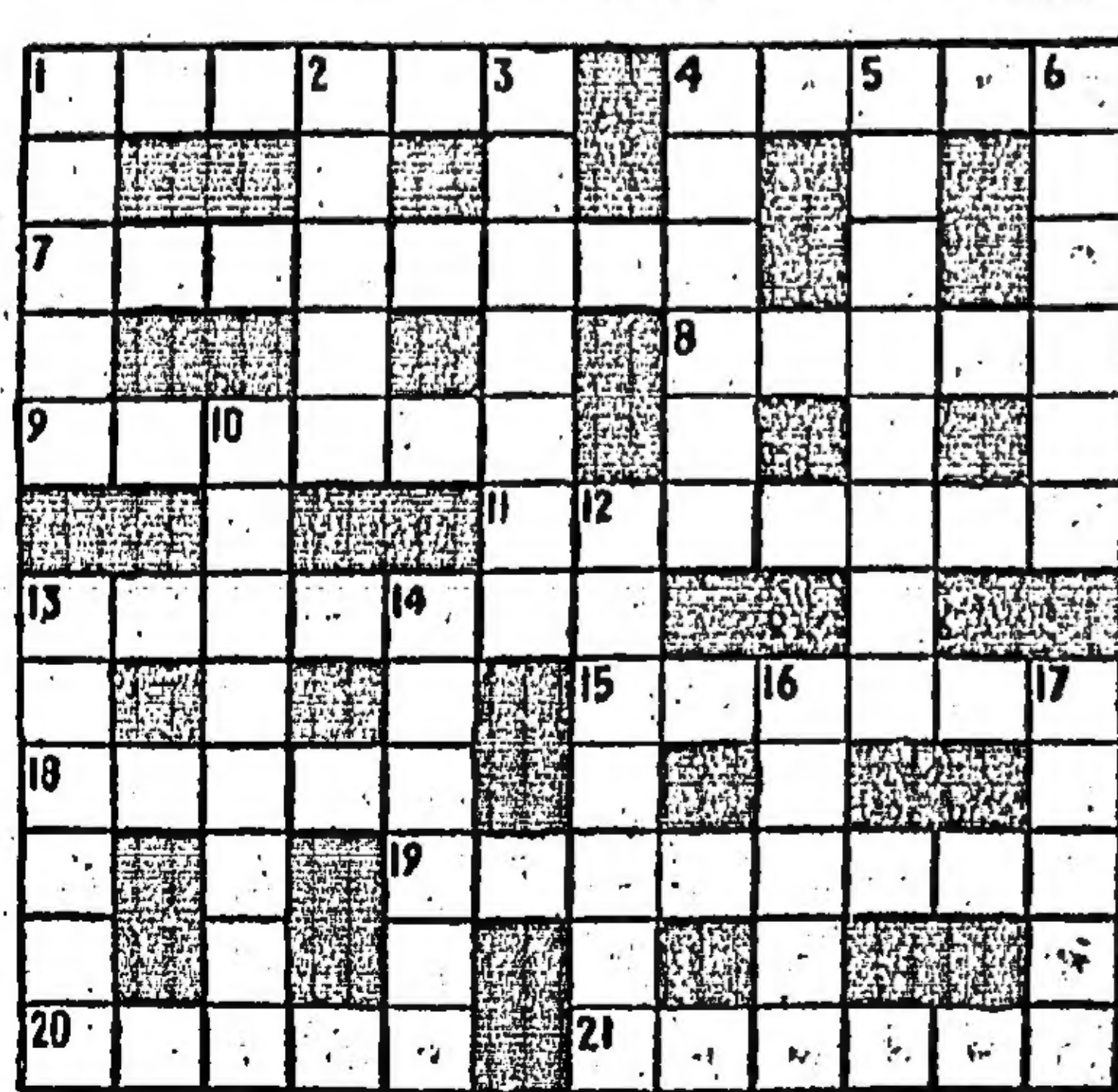
On Way To
Bomb Test
Rendezvous

Perth, Apr. 27. Two small Australian Navy ships left Onslow, North-western Australia, today and are believed to be sailing to meet the British atomic test vessels, Natvik and Zebrugga. On Saturday the Australian vessels—a water lighter and a refrigerated lighter—landed 100 tons of camping equipment at the recently established military camp at Onslow, nearest port to the Monte Bello Islands. These islands, 80 miles from Onslow, have been strongly rumored to be the site for Britain's first atomic weapons test. The British vessels, both tank-landing craft, are believed to be heading direct for the Monte Bello Islands. The Australian lighters are commanded by officers of the British Royal Marines.—Reuter.

BURMESE FETED
IN PEKING

Paris, Apr. 27. The Communist New China news agency, mentioned here, reported today that the Chinese Communist Foreign Minister, Chou En-lai, received a visiting Burmese cultural delegation and gave a banquet in their honour in Peking. The Burmese Ambassador, Soekinh U Ba Maung, and other members of the Burmese Embassy were present at the banquet, the agency said.—France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Exchange (6).
 - Shy (5).
 - Examine minutely (8).
 - Hurl (5).
 - Spiritualists' sitting (6).
 - Crack (7).
 - Disturb (7).
 - Shrink (6).
 - Rix (5).
 - Taken into custody (8).
 - Pattern (6).
 - Literary efforts (6).
- DOWN**
- Metal (5).
 - Claw (5).
 - Honour (7).
 - Thin, soft paper (6).
 - Nautical (8).
 - Hang down (6).
 - Lively (8).
 - Reliance (7).
 - Song of praise (6).
 - Attack (6).
 - Grates (5).
 - Fashions (5).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Stop, 4 Preside, 8 Role, 9 Hide, 10 Averted, 11 Fine, 12 Mere, 14 Tremble, 17 Adore, 19 Idols, 22 Settles, 26 Ornate, 27 Hint, 28 Wavered, 29 Tape, 30 Seal, 31 Permit, 32 Eddy, Down: 2 Tailed, 3 Prefer, 4 Plant, 5 Revere, 6 Strum, 7 Duell, 12 Mass, 13 Rout, 15 Boom, 16 East, 18 Boast, 20 Dottle, 21 Limpid, 23 Erase, 24 Therm, 25 Sides.

JAPAN RESUMES NORMAL
RELATIONS WITH
THE WORLD TODAY
Appointment Of An Envoy To
Britain Expected Shortly

London, Apr. 28.

Japan will appoint ambassadors in New Delhi, Washington, London, Paris, Canberra and Ottawa and create legations in several world capitals almost immediately after the Japanese peace treaty comes into force today.

Mr Koichiro Azakai, head of the Japanese Overseas Agency in London, said in an interview that this would be one of the first steps his country would take to resume normal relations with the world.

He is calling today on Sir William Strang, senior permanent official at the Foreign Office, to deliver a special personal goodwill message to Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, from Mr Shigeru Yoshida, Japan's Prime Minister and Foreign Affairs Minister.

Mr Azakai said his agency formed the nucleus of the Japanese Embassy to be established in London. The Embassy, at which he himself would be the Charge d'Affaires, would have about 30 diplomatic secretaries and two or three counsellors with the rank of Minister.

The Ambassador to London had not yet been named but it was expected that he would be designated shortly and that he would fly to London within the next six weeks.

The Soviet Union and the People's Government of China, which did not sign the San Francisco Treaty, were still technically at war with Japan, he said.

Mr Azakai disclosed that negotiations would soon begin for a trade and commercial treaty between Japan and Britain.

The famous pre-war rail service between Yokohama and London would soon be plying again, he added.

CONVENTION FEARS
Since the war there had not been a single Japanese company or branch in the United Kingdom, where before 1939 Japanese shipping lines and industrial firms had been represented in London and throughout the United Kingdom.

Mr Azakai expressed the view that the Sterling Area, of which Britain is the banker, was again becoming an important post-war market for Japanese imports and exports.

Allying fears about cheap Japanese goods and price cutting in commodities compared with those of industrialized countries with higher standards of living, Mr Azakai declared that Japan had to export just like any other country. But he was sure that Japanese competition in trade would be on a fair basis.

Japan had to export to be able to import raw materials and there would naturally be strong competition in cotton piecegoods, but as long as the competition was fair it would be healthy.

He added that Japan and Britain would shortly be discussing a second steel deal. Japan had surplus steel and about a month ago agreed to sell within about the next 12 months some 100,000 tons to Britain.

PRE-WAR DEBTS
Other trading trends observed by Mr Azakai were: Indonesia is the biggest single country of Japan's largest export item—cotton piecegoods.

Japan's imports are mainly from the United States and its best export markets are India, Pakistan and Indonesia.

Of Japan's external pre-war debts, Mr Azakai said that the Japanese Government wanted to reach an international settlement.

Discussions were now taking place on preliminary questions like dates and the place for a conference to negotiate a settlement of the debts mainly owed to American, British and French creditors.

The talks were not likely to take place until after the conclusion of the London conference on Germany's external debts, which will resume here on May 10 after its Easter recess.—Reuter.

STRUGGLE BEGINS
New York, Apr. 27. The Japanese peace treaty, which comes into effect on Monday, marks the beginning of the struggle for Japan between the Soviet camp and the Western Powers, Mr Philip Potter of the Baltimore Sun, said today.

"Japan knows now that it is mired out of a battlefield in the cold war," he said. "Japan is a obvious target for Communism. The Red invasion of South Korea probably was undertaken as a step toward the winning of Japan."

Mr Potter, a prominent commentator of world affairs, recently returned from a special mission to Japan. He wrote a series of articles on his travels and observations, publication of which began today in the Baltimore Sun.

His only conclusion was that "one could make no conclusion about Japan's future course."

There appeared to be much goodwill toward the United States but there was resentment too.

The day of American supremacy in Japan is done. The Japanese unquestionably will begin to assert themselves once more," he said.

CHINA TRADE
Mr Potter raised three questions dealing with the uncertainty of Japan's economic future:

1. Can Japan get along without the markets and raw materials of the Chinese Communist-controlled mainland?

2. Will trade with southeast Asia—trade which will throw Japan into sharp competition with Britain—develop rapidly enough to provide a substitute for the historic trade with China?

3. Will the United States through expenditure in Japan continue to meet the dollar deficit run up in normal trade? Japan had asked the United States to keep troops in her territory as she was unable to defend herself and Japan's economy would not support a rapid build-up of armed forces. The Japanese are not happy about having foreign soldiers stay in their country Mr Potter said.

But most of them regard it as essential until Japan is reformed or American defence garrisons can be replaced by a collective security force.

RED DANGER
At the same time, with her sovereignty restored, "the defence which has marked the Japanese attitude towards the conqueror may quickly disappear," Mr Potter said. "Purged leaders will come back into power."

Of the Communist danger, Mr Potter wrote: "The Communist world is going to fight to win Japan with propaganda and quite possibly if need be with violence. Japan's own Communist Party, according to Japanese Government investigators, is preparing for armed revolt. Documents in the Government's possession show detailed Communist plans for eventual guerrilla activities."

Mr Potter said the Japanese Communist Party had only 52,000 registered members—but was probably its best organized party in Japan.

The Communist underground numbered between 20,000 and 30,000.

"Japan has chafed under the American occupation but her 64 million people have no wish to trade it for a Russian occupation," he said.

ASIA FOR ASIATICS
Mr Potter found the "Asia for the Asiatics" sentiment still strong in Japan. Actual direction of Communist efforts to lure Japan from the Western camp might be passing from Moscow to the "Little Kremlin" in Peking, he added.

The bait held out to the Japanese is economic independence from the United States with the match of the Communist propaganda directed at Japanese industrialists.

Mr Potter quoted Mr Yoshisuko Aikawa, whom he described as the 71-year-old "one-time economic czar of Japan's puppet State of Manchuria," as holding that Japan's future lies not with the West but in Asia. He credited Mr Aikawa with wanting the formation of an Asiatic bloc to include China and India, with Japan supplying technicians.

But Mr Aikawa wanted United States loans to Japan to continue, as without them the blocking of China trade would, he believed, give the Kremlin a good chance to turn Japan against the United States, Mr Potter said.—Reuter.

INDIAN ACTION
New Delhi, Apr. 27. India, though not a signatory of the San Francisco Peace Treaty, will end the state of war with Japan tomorrow by an exchange of notes with the Japanese Government.

Simultaneously, the Indian Mission in Tokyo and the Japanese Overseas Agency in New Delhi will be asked to the status of Embassies.

The first Japanese Charge d'Affaires in India, Mr Chiro Kawasaki, arrived here last night to open the new Embassy.

A bilateral treaty of friendship and commerce between India and Japan will follow early in May.—Reuter.

JAPAN'S RECOVERY
Tokyo, Apr. 27. In the six years of Allied occupation, Japanese industry recovered from the chaos of defeat until today—the last day of the occupation—the output stands at about 50 per cent above the average for the period of 1932-36, according to Allied occupational headquarters.

The recovery of foreign trade has brought the value of Japan's foreign exchange reserve to more than \$1,000 million, of which about a third is in Sterling.

In attempts to reform the Japanese education system along democratic lines, a thousand million copies of text books were issued, rewritten under Allied supervision to eliminate militaristic ideas.

Japanese women have received the franchise. Reforms have been made, trade unions have been organized, the Press has been "educated."

But some Allied quarters here predict that an "independence" spree will soon eliminate some of the Allied-sponsored reforms.—Reuter.

Entente Cordiale
Between Spain
And Arab States

Cairo, Apr. 27.

The Spanish Foreign Minister, Don Alberto Martin Artajo, said here tonight that an "entente cordiale" between Spain and the Arab world had been born as a result of the Spanish goodwill mission's official visit to Arab capitals.

At the end of the three-week tour which took the mission to Beirut, Damascus, Amman, Riyadh and Cairo, Senor Artajo said, "A new era of friendship and close relations based on mutual understanding and co-operation has opened between the Spanish and Arab peoples."

Senor Artajo, the first Spanish Minister to visit the Middle East since the Spanish civil war, signed friendship and cultural pacts with Arab States, including Egypt.

The Secretary-General of the Arab League, Azzam Pasha, described the missions visit as "cementing relations between the Spanish and Arab peoples whose bonds of friendship date back to the days of Carthage."

Azzam Pasha said that Spain had succeeded in making Spanish Morocco a bridge between the two peoples.

Senor Artajo was accompanied on his tour of the Arab Middle East by the Spanish Moroccan Army General Mohamed Ben Nazzari, Ben Kasseem, and Carmen Marquesa de Villaverde, the daughter of General Franco, the Spanish head of State.

MEDITERRANEAN PACT
He said that he had come to express "Spain's gratitude and thanks to the Arab rulers, governments and peoples for their friendly attitude when she was cold-shouldered by the Western Powers."

Spain was seeking to expand trade and cultural relations with the new friend he added.

The Spanish Foreign Minister said that he had political talks with the heads of the Arab States and governments.

He said, "During my conversations I noted that a Mediterranean pact, wherein all riparian nations would join, would be well received by the Arab Middle East, conditioned upon their respective

sovereignities." Senor Artajo told reporters that the Mediterranean basin was a geographical unit which he described as a determining factor in international politics today.

TWO FACTORS
"In this geographical unit two factors must be taken into full consideration—namely the Arab renaissance and the struggle against Communist aggression," he said.

"The collective security of the Mediterranean area must be based upon the realization of these two factors."

The goodwill mission was entertained to luncheon today by Azzam Pasha, all the Arab League's member States being represented.

Dogs Of War Show Their Skill



A cycle-riding corporal and a police patrol Almatia make this picture of co-operation and team-work at the RAF Police Dog School, Netheravon, Wiltshire. Behind are other RAF corporals in the groups now preparing a police dog display for the Royal Tournament at Epsom Court. The dogs make excellent airfield guards.—Reuterphoto.

GEN. EISENHOWER
MAY OVERHAUL
TAFT TOMORROW

New York, Apr. 27.

Massachusetts voters may put General Eisenhower in the lead on Tuesday in his race with Senator Robert Taft for the Republican nomination as presidential candidate.

A record vote is expected to elect 38 delegates. Both the leading Republican contenders have each entered two of their own candidates in all the State's 14 Congressional districts. The other 10 are "at large" delegates, two pledged to Senator Taft, two to the General and six undeclared.

The latest Press tabulation of delegate strength gives Senator Taft 266 and General Eisenhower 233—figures based on delegates' pledges, instructed, favourable or willing to state a first ballot choice.

Altogether 650 delegates—over half the national total—have been chosen, of whom 129 are not committed and 51 support other candidates.

A candidate needs the support of 603 of the 1,205 delegates for nomination.

Republican voters in Massachusetts will be able to indicate directly their personal choice for President by writing in his name—and "Ike" and "Bob" nicknames inserted on the ballot will count.

Senator Taft has predicted that he will get a "fair share" of delegates. Eisenhower supporters have made no public forecasts but are reported privately to hope for at least 30 delegates.

TEXAS VITAL STATE

Missouri, choosing 26 delegates, begins with a district convention on Tuesday. Eisenhower supporters claim the State by a large margin.

Senator Taft's campaign forces say that their man has considerable strength in rural areas.

When Texas Republicans hold their convention on May 27, their choice of 38 delegates could tip the scales. Each side in the State claims 30 of the 38 delegates.

Senator Taft's campaign manager claimed yesterday that his candidate had won 1,703,232 popular votes in Republican primaries so far and General Eisenhower 1,561,025.

Senator Taft received votes in seven primaries and the General in only six since his name was not entered in Wisconsin, where "write-ins" were forbidden.

GROWING CAMPAIGN
Eisenhower supporters are meeting a growing campaign by Senator Taft to demand answers by the General on domestic problems. They hope that no matter how the General answers such questions he will lose the support of one faction or another.

In Denver, Colorado—Mrs Eisenhower's home—Eisenhower supporters are preparing a campaign headquarters for the General when he returns home in June.

Representative Hugh Scott, one of his campaign leaders, said that when established there the General would be available to answer all questions that anybody wants to ask.

He added emphatically, "That applies both to supporters and to backers of Senator Taft."

During a one-day tour of Missouri yesterday, Senator Taft criticised the United Nations as a complete failure at enforcing peace and demanded a "revised" organisation based on international law rather than "control of the world by five great Powers."

He said: "The Russians are building jet planes faster than we. They outnumber us in Korea and we have no control of the air even against the Chinese Communists."

"It is ridiculous to think of spending \$10,000,000,000 on aid to countries all over the world while we neglect the fine policy which will protect both our security and our peace."—Reuter.

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Wage Increase
Demands

London, Apr. 27. Five trade unions, representing about 200,000 women employed in Britain's engineering industry, have put in a claim for a substantial increase in wages to their employers' federation.

They have asked for their case to be heard on the same day as the federation meets trade union representatives of 300,000 men in the shipbuilding and engineering unions to discuss the claim they submitted two weeks ago.

The actual amounts in question are still not decided, but suggestions are that they would be the highest wage advance on record in this country.—Reuter.

LABOUR'S
MAY DAY
MANIFESTO

Criticism Of Tories

London, Apr. 27.

British labour organisations today declared that in six months the "Incompetence" of Britain's Conservative Government had been fully demonstrated.

The statement was made in a May Day manifesto published by the National Council of Labour, representing the Labour Party, the Trades Union Congress and the Co-operative Union.

The manifesto stated: "If there had been no such organised movements as ours in the troubled years in which they have been building up their present position of strength, the conditions of the people would indeed be perilous today."

"This is the first May Day for more than a decade when a Conservative Government rules. In six short months the incompetence of the Conservative Government has been fully demonstrated. Its path is strewn with broken promises, blunders in administration and errors of policy."

"It is manifestly the first duty of our organised movements to prepare ourselves for the general election which cannot be long delayed by the opposition of a comprehensive policy to continue the planning of the nation's resources, and to use them for the strengthening of the nation's defences, the development of social services and the improvement of the living standards of all the people."—Reuter.

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ARTIE'S HEADLINE



LIFE IS A GAMBLE AT BILOXI

By R. M. MacCOLL

Washington. THERE have been high old times at the big Air Force base near Biloxi, Mississippi, and Senate investigators have been looking into the gambling done by officers and men off duty.

The investigators come up with some staggering findings, among them that of the base's monthly payroll—\$1,400,000—about \$178,000 is lost regularly to cardsharks, roulette wheels, and slot machines.

Two officers have committed suicide and the Senators say these tragedies were caused by money troubles due to gambling.

Moreover, they allege that "the gambling habit has so gripped a number of officers and airmen that morale has been impaired, and thefts, wholesale pawing of uniforms, and the passing of bad checks have resulted."

They list 1,438 gambling devices in the town of Biloxi. And now, say the aroused Senators, it is up to the Air Force to wipe out all this "deplorable laxity."

RAYMOND MOLEY, editor of a popular news magazine, tells the Women's National Republic Club that "our liberty is being lost by 42,000,000 lazy people." He means the citizens who cannot be bothered to totter into the polling booths at election time.

The Republicans, contends rueful Ray, "have a good party, a surplus of good candidates, and the best leaders. All it lacks is the votes."

Quite a lack, though. AMERICA is being deluged with cheap reprints of novels, their titles often changed, and their covers adorned with some startling "art work."

Columnist Tom Donnelly suggests satirically that "Moby Dick" should be reissued, with the title "Seas of Sin," and, as the cover drawing, a broad-shouldered, barrel-chested, curly-haired sea captain, embracing a ravishing mermaid while seated on the back of a white whale which bears the legend "Complete and unabridged."

THE Wall Street Journal reports that charity by Americans has hit an all-time high—\$1,400 million a year, compared with \$530 million ten years ago. This despite the high cost of living and much bigger taxes.

THE HUMAN TOUCH: My taximan sighed philosophically: "It'll be a mighty poor week for tips."

"Why so?" "Oh, the Daughters of the American Revolution are in town. Nice ladies—enjoy talking to 'em, but they pinch a nickel so hard it squeaks."

WHAT AN EX-CABINET COLLEAGUE SAYS ABOUT HIM

BEVAN, IT SEEMS, IS AT LOGGERHEADS WITH HIMSELF

by EMANUEL
SHINWELL, M.P.



It confers no benefits on the British public to stir up hostility against the U.S.

Whatever faults may have been encountered in American foreign policy, we are bound to rely, whether in the case of world peace or a deterrent against war (or even as Mr. Bevan would himself desire, to assist in economic rehabilitation), on the moral and physical backing of the American people.

This view is reinforced by Mr. Bevan's own plea that it is wiser to spend on the development of the backward countries than on armaments.

This, as he knows, is accepted United Nations policy, which may well have been carried through with enthusiasm and with the necessary financial support if the world had not been living under the threat of aggression.

So entangled

I SAY this book is an attempt at a thoughtful, analytical, and sociological study in which Bevan the orator and forceful agitator is subordinated to Bevan the philosopher.

Yet somehow it fails to catch on because he is neither decisive nor conclusive.

In short, we have here the thoughts of a man who is trying to disentangle a series of complex problems and, in the process, gets into a tangle himself.

THE SORT OF THINGS 'NYE' SAYS

Quotes from his book:

WHENEVER the Labour Party has made a mistake, it has not been in consequence of pursuing its principles too roughly or too far but by making too many concessions to conventional opinion.

THE TROUBLE with the boards of the nationalised industries is that they are a constitutional outrage... The Minister, by divesting himself of parliamentary responsibility, disfranchises the electorate as well.

UP TO the Korean incident American Far Eastern policy floundered from one extreme to another. At first it put all her money on the Chinese Nationalists. When these failed, she turned her back on the whole area...

It is still a matter for conjecture whether those who invaded South Korea did not think that the United States had disinterested herself in the Far East and that, therefore, it was safe for them to try their hand.

THERE is no evidence to show that the Soviet Union wants a trial of strength. She can, of course, fall into it. But it is easier for a dictatorship to pull out of such a situation than it is for a democracy. A dictatorship has no public opinion to satisfy.

THE reaction of the United States to the revelation (in Korea) of her military unpreparedness for a major war dealt a deadly blow to Europe's hopes for economic recovery, and at the same time sent a cold wind throughout the backward regions of the world.

It revealed the weakness of the motive behind President Truman's Fourth Point. (To give economic and technical help to backward areas.)

If this motive had been entirely altruistic it might have stood the strain. I have no doubt about his intentions, but unfortunately it had been represented to the American people as the bulwark against Communism.

Korea raised the question. Have we time for the Fourth Point to operate? At once the military experts said No!

THE ARMS programme, agreed in the summer of 1950, was not sufficient to meet the needs regarded as militarily desirable. Before the year was out a still heavier programme was demanded; and all to be accomplished in three years, by which time, we were told, we could "talk to Russia out of strength."

It seems insane for Russia to wait for that date if her intention is a military showdown. She is obviously less belligerent than some American publicists.

NO ONE is less fitted than a military expert to weigh the economic consequences of his inordinate demands.

Yet the nature of the modern military machine makes it more than ever necessary that the industrial repercussions should be carefully weighed before heavy military expenditure is embarked upon. This was not done either in Britain or in the United States.

THE outstanding need of China, as of similar communities, is for the industrial products of the urban communities of the West. These Russia is not able to supply in anything approaching the quantities required.

Indeed, just to the extent that Russia has perverted her own economy to war purposes, she is unable to supply in anything approaching the quantities required of her the civilian requirements of her temporary allies.

It is a grim commentary on the direction taken by the Russian revolution that the North Koreans found it easier to obtain tanks than tractor ploughs from their Soviet "friends." But is not the West making just that same mistake?

THIS book* by Aneurin Bevan will confuse many critics who have painted the author in lurid colours and held him up as a horrible example of the raging, roaring revolutionary bent on the immediate destruction of capitalism and all its works.

Apart from some previous comments on minor aspects of policy, the most orthodox and right-wing member of the Labour Party could find little to cavil at.

Even Mr. Bevan's principal supporters will fail to accuse the book as a reservoir of inspiration or an exciting version of their political gospel.

Mr. Bevan issues no command to his followers to roll up their sleeves and go into battle; there is no preview of a holy crusade.

Here he makes no bid for the leadership of the Labour Party.

Mr. Bevan's brief narrative of his early struggle for self-education to "lift himself out of the gut" is revealing.

Unfortunately, such an experience can produce melancholy reflections in later years and cause the victim to be at cross purposes with everybody.

Yet, the fact that some men are able to rise above their environment and attain eminence in literature, art, industry, and politics seems to contain the refutation of Mr. Bevan's theory that poverty in childhood is necessarily a barrier to advancement.

So undecided

IT is a pity that the tragedy, intense bitterness, and desolation which were all too common in the valleys of South Wales in his day, together with details of his work underground receive no more than a passing reference.

If he had devoted more space to his actual experience it would have proved more illuminating than his analysis of economic issues.

These read very much like the fruits of nocturnal discussions with some disaffected economist, whose views on how to relate economic facts to political strategy are about as useful as the opinions of the pigs of Drogheda on psychology.

Mr. Bevan claims to have profited by his study of Marxism.

"In so far as I can be said to have had a political training,"

"In Place of Fear (Heinemann, 6s.).

THIS M.P. IS A NIGHT CLUB ENTERTAINER IN 'PARADISE'

By PATRICK NICHOLSON

PARADISE is a much overworked word in a world that shows little sign of it. Yet the sun-drenched dollar-earning Bahamas have what it takes to deserve this tribute. Nassau's famous beach is not called Paradise for nothing.

Here is bliss in every shape and form—glistering, sandy beaches washed by a sea that is always warm, for bathing, food

in plenty, open-air night life under colour-flooded palm trees.

Since a mysterious disease wiped out the prosperous sponge-growing industry and repeal of America's Prohibition ended illicit rum-running, the Bahamas' biggest dollar-earner has been their perfect all-the-year-round climate.

While the red tide of Communism threatens trouble in nearby Guatemala and Panama, nobody yet has tried to stir up trouble in these islands.

The Calypso M.P.

You have only to meet Bert Cambridge, leader of the Bahamas, to understand this. "Seventy thousand refugees from the Canadian and American winter snows have brought with them dollars, as well as being a silver-tongued orator. He looks like a lay preacher in the white dinner coat which is his evening uniform—whether in his role as night club organizer or as one of the five coloured members of the tiny 20-men Parliament.

I found Bert working at his unusual job as organizer in a night club. An unusual job for a politician. While the native band played lulling Calypso tunes, smiling women wearing scarlet, hibiscus blooms in their hair danced with bronzed men in gay sports shirts or white dinner jackets.

When the music stopped, Bert came and sat at our table. This Bahamian M.P. is also Nassau's best Calypso musician, as well as being a silver-tongued orator.

He looks like a lay preacher in the white dinner coat which is his evening uniform—whether in his role as night club organizer or as one of the five coloured members of the tiny 20-men Parliament.

"Our M.P.s are not paid," he explained, "so I earn my living here."

Bert has visions of a Bahamian majority in a Parliament. With such a majority behind him, Bert, the "Calypso Cromwell," would be the most powerful figure in this Caribbean Paradise.

"There won't be a revolution when that happens," said Bert, sipping his neat rum, "and there won't be any revolutionary changes."

He does not want to lead the Bahamas into the proposed West Indian Federation. But Bert has one idea which, if put into effect, will do much to take the attraction out of Paradise. He wants to introduce income tax and death duties.

£12-a-day hotels

At present the Government collects most of its revenue from heavy import duties on everything from food to fish-hooks, from clothes to cars. This catches the rich tourist who can afford Scotch whisky, English china and luxurious textiles which all the shops. But it also catches the poor Bahamian who takes three weeks to earn the £12 which a tourist pays for one day in a luxury hotel.

The best spenders here today, said Bert, are the Canadian oil barons and cattle kings.

Such visitors bring prosperity to these islands, and enable them to earn nearly £2,000,000 a year in dollars for the British Treasury. The visitors supply jobs for many Bahamians during the winter season when even taxi-drivers make £20 a week.

—but cause a trail of unemployment when they leave. In the spring.

So, instead of raising a revolution, Bert plans to raise taxes and vegetables when he becomes the Napoleon of Nassau. He will encourage coconut plantations, tomato nurseries, pineapple gardens and fields of aloe to build up export industries which will provide all-the-year-round jobs for all.

Meanwhile, as an income-tax free Eden, Nassau continues to attract those with large fortunes. Several places of beach property have changed hands at high prices. A 100-ft. strip of seashore was bought recently for £15,000.

But Nassau is only a tiny, unincorporated strip of the Bahamas. The whole group of islands comprises 20 large islands, some 600 smaller islands, and about 2,400 cays or islets. And only 20 of the islands are permanently inhabited. Many are for sale. With the purchase of a Bahamian island goes the prerogative of changing the island's name.

Many Spanish treasure ships are known to have been wrecked in the Bahamas. More chance has given many settlers a surprising and unexpected hoard of treasure, and there are people still who come out here on the strength of some chart or treasure story handed down from an earlier generation.

In fact, the chance of finding treasure is as good as that of winning a football pool in the Bahamas, and it gives an already pleasant life just that additional amount of glamour.

Treasure hunts

Many Spanish treasure ships are known to have been wrecked in the Bahamas. More chance has given many settlers a surprising and unexpected hoard of treasure, and there are people still who come out here on the strength of some chart or treasure story handed down from an earlier generation.

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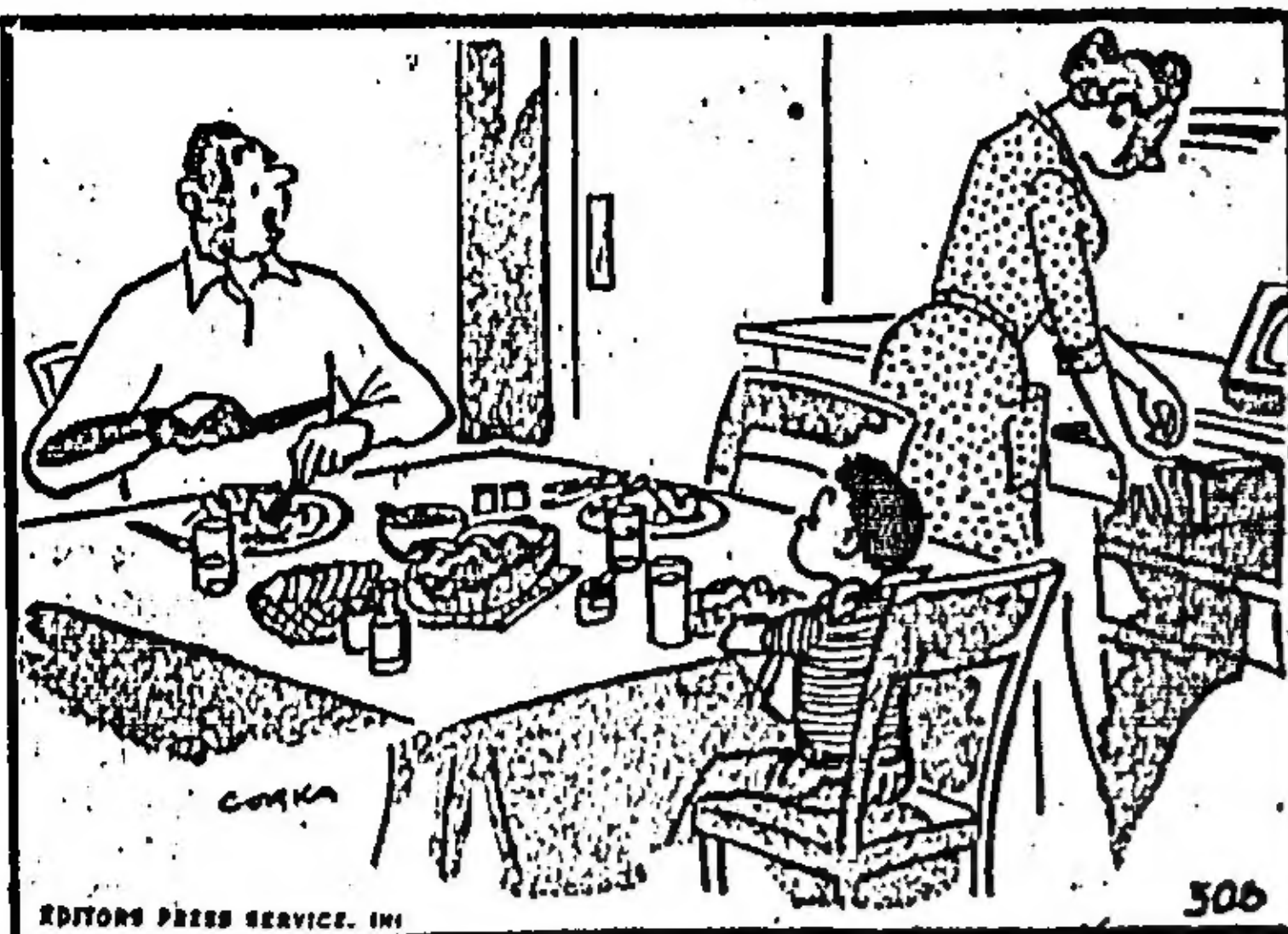
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"You won't believe this, but fifteen years from now you'll be telling your wife you wish she could cook like this."

• BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

C. SUET, Esq., confronted with the issue of the London Gazette for January 15 containing the appeal of the Pin, Hook and Eye Snap Fastener Wages Council for the revocation of Order O (48), laid the first finger of his right hand horizontally along his upper lip and breathed down his nose—a sign of deep thought.

He then pointed out that snap fasteners were less than 15ins. across were not included in the Amendment Order (O. 48) which would exclude the "hook" in certain cases specified in Order O (48) from the draft of the Wages Council Memorandum on the distinction between fasteners and fastenings, especially as applied to the small humps at the end of men's trousers which exceed the statutory minimum rejected by the Advisory Committee.

The Gamma-bomb (VI)

DR. KOOLRUK lost no time. As soon as M. I. Zee had informed him of their plan, he held a call on M. I. Zee, and gave her the good news. "We will arrange," he said, "for Egham to be your 'hook' at the right moment you will show your interest in his new work. He will then come to me and I will show him the formula, and he will hand it to you, thinking, 'he has bamboozled me, and believing that I am on his side. What could be neater? M. I."

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

MONDAY, APRIL 28

BORN today, you are one of those individuals who are always being dogged and determined. You will stand up against all kinds of opposition to prove your worth. You are really a very exceptional individual, intuitive powers, which, at times, amount to almost psychic qualities. You must always follow the lead of your first impressions. Often, you may not get instant proof of your views until you have external proof that they are accurate. This loses time.

Fortunately, you have a good business head and it is likely that you will make good money. You have and invest it wisely. If you put all your attention upon money-making, you could do well. You have other interests and may prefer to turn your energies elsewhere.

TUESDAY, APRIL 29

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21): Research and experimentation are well-favoured. If in search of something new, find it today. GEMINI (May 22-June 21): Cultivate a tendency to worry over things that may never happen. Cultivate optimism. CANCER (June 22-July 22): Better to postpone an important decision until later, rather than make an error today. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Try music and light reading to dispel worry. Look forward, not backward, for inspiration. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): General aspects may be difficult but your own positive, optimistic attitude can be helpful. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): A meeting with congenial friends.

DUMB BELLS

I PREFER SO DO I, HOME COOKING ALWAYS EAT IN A RESTAURANT THAT MAKES A SPECIALTY OF IT!



Check Your Knowledge

1. Which is said to be the deepest volcano in the world?
2. What is the full title of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night"?
3. In what year did the singers of Oberammergau begin performance of their Passion Play?
4. Which is the largest vehicular tunnel in the world?
5. What region is known as the bread-basket of Europe?
6. What section of a newspaper office is known as the "mugger"?

(Answers on Page 10)

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Real Story Isn't Told In the Score

By OSWALD JACOBY

THE scoresheet doesn't always tell the full story. All it can say is "four spades bid and made," but it doesn't tell whether or not the defenders gave declarer a hard time.

When today's hand was played in a recent team match, the declarer in the first room had a nice easy time of it. West opened the king of diamonds and switched to a heart at the second trick.

South won the heart in his own hand, laid down the ace of spades and then took the second trump with dummy's king. Since West discarded on the second trump, the correct play was marked. Declarer returned a trump from dummy to discard the nine and then drew the last trump.

South had to give up a club and a second diamond eventually, but there was nothing to the play of the hand.

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WOMANSENSE

CORONATION PRE-VIEW



One of the highlights of the Second International Fashion Revue held in Atlantic City in the United States, was this magnificent coronation gown by Britain's Norman Hartnell, dressmaker to the Queen. Designed for a marchioness, the gown is of heavy white satin embroidered with pearls and rhinestones and trimmed with silver braid.



BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

The Wedding In The Kitchen

—Can You Guess Who the Bride and Groom Were?—

By MAX TRELL

"LAST night," Christopher Cricket said, "I went to a wedding. It took place in a corner of the kitchen. Did you know anything about it?"

Knart and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, gazed at Christopher Cricket then exclaimed both in one voice: "A wedding! Whose wedding?"

"That's what I was about to tell you. The Broom and the Scrub Fall got married. Mr Broom was the groom, and Mrs Fall was the bride. Everybody who's anybody in the kitchen was at the wedding. It was a jolly affair. I didn't get to sleep until nearly dawn."

First News

This being the first news that Knart and Hanid had that the Broom and the Scrub Fall had got married, they begged Christopher to tell them all about the wedding party.

"Of course," Christopher said, "I was invited only because I'm

a musician and play the guitar. They wanted me for my music, which is one of the important things at a wedding party. Usually I don't spend much time with the kitchen folks. They're always very pleasant, but I'm not exactly close friends with pots and pans and mops and brushes. But they needed wedding music so they invited me."

"Well, I could see right away that it was going to be a fine merry party. The Soup Ladle was wearing a dress made of bright red oilcloth with polka dots in white; and all the Soup Spoons — were dressed in big flouncy gowns made of napkins. The Knives and Forks were dressed in velvet suits. The Mop stood upside down—I mean with the mop-part up—and her hair had a permanent wave. The Toothpicks were dressed like flower-girl fairies and the Soap came with the Soap Dish and a friend of theirs who looked like a large bottle of Ammonia."

"But the handsomest couple was the Broom and the Scrub Fall. The Broom wore a white stocking over his straw and—"

Upside Down

"Oh!" interrupted Hanid. "Did he stand upside down, too, like the Mop?"

Christopher Cricket nodded. "Except," he said, "that it isn't quite right to say that he stood upside down. It's people who turn brooms upside down and make them sweep with their heads. If they're left alone, brooms always stand on their legs with their straw heads up."

"But to continue—the Broom wore a white stocking over his straw and his legs were wound around from top to bottom with strings and ribbons of all the colours of the rainbow. As for the Scrub Fall, she was as clean and bright as a whistle (who wasn't invited because he didn't live in the kitchen), and she wore rosebuds and forget-me-nots all around her rim and handle. They were as pretty a bride and bridegroom as ever I saw!"

"And who was the minister who married them?" Knart asked.

"The Clock," replied Christopher. "At five minutes after eleven he held up his hands and pronounced the Broom and the

What are the responsible causes for the growth of children? A doctor attempts to find the answer for this...

THEY MAY BE GIANTS OR DWARFS

By H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

MOST cases of dwarfing are caused by undernourishment. As a rule, people are ignorant of this fact, perhaps because we have been reading so much lately about the glands and how they produce dwarfs and giants.

Many parents have learned that a deficiency of the thyroid gland or pituitary gland can cause dwarfing. If their child then turns out to be extremely small, they usually think he must have some sort of glandular disturbance. However, the most frequent cause of dwarfing is malnutrition of one type or another.

What is the cause of such drastic undernourishment? Usually, it is not due to lack of food bulk, but to an under-supply of special materials needed for growth. Diet deficiencies are often seen in the poor and underprivileged. It is sad to have to recognise that there are children in this great country of ours who do not grow strong and healthy because they cannot get the right food to eat.

A different cause of undernourishment is seen in children who may have plenty to eat but are psychologically maladjusted. In many of these children

are hidden feelings that their parents do not want them. Their home life may be very unhappy and lacking in harmony between parents, or between parents and children. The feelings and behaviour of these children may interfere with their eating habits and nourishment, so much so that they actually become dwarfed.

It is important to try to find and solve any psychological problems in the home that may be the hidden cause of malnutrition.

Infections of various kinds also cut down the appetite. Many times, a severe worm infection or stomach or intestinal trouble in a child may bring on dwarfing. Before deciding that a case of faulty growth is due to an eating disturbance, the doctor should make a thorough check for any infection of this type.

Children with bronchial asthma often suffer dwarfing due to poor nutrition. This breathing disorder is frequently due to an allergy or over-sensitivity to some special substance, one of which may be food. Many times, the child is given an extremely limited diet in the hope of avoiding the one substance causing the allergy.

Experience has proved that most of these children do much better on a well-balanced diet, high in calories, and not limited to too much because they might be allergic to something in their food.

Once we have discovered that a child has been dwarfed by poor nutrition, the thing to do is to place him on a diet high in proteins and calories. Usually, it is also helpful to give large doses of extra vitamins. Vitamin B-12 is effective in helping the body use healthful food in order to grow. Extra supplies of the male hormone, testosterone, sometimes help to start growth in these dwarfed children.

MODELS PUT ON 1½ STONE



MRS. LAURA PARNELL
"I still have a 23-inch waist"

BACK from Australia after a three-month trip to show British clothes there are two of London's top models: Viscountess Boyle, 25-year-old wife of the Earl of Shannon's heir, and Mrs Laura Parnell. Both are Italian-born.

Dark-haired, green-eyed Mrs Parnell is 27, wife of a City man. She reported the clothes sold well, especially in Melbourne. She considers Sydney women are the best-dressed in Australia, but the average Australian taste in dress she found "inclined to be too fussy."

Too Tempting

On the air route back, Mrs Parnell and Lady Boyle were on holiday. They had a week's sightseeing in Singapore, Ceylon and Bombay.

A few days ago they were sunbathing. Both have returned deeply sun-tanned. That causes no worry. There is another cause for anxiety. Both put on a stone and a half in weight since leaving England.

"The cream, butter and steaks were too tempting—we could not stop eating," says Mrs Parnell.

But she finds that her vital measurements—bust 35; hips 36; waist 23—are virtually unchanged. "I don't think the difference is obvious," says Mrs Parnell.

Pecoross retains figure

Lady Boyle, blonde and tall, reports the same addition of weight as Mrs Parnell. "I don't think I have changed shape too much. I can still squeeze into a 23-inch waist," she says.

She and Mrs Parnell returned with silk for their husbands' shirts.

Lord Boyle, 27, is a captain in the Irish Guards. He and his wife keep a flat in Calford Gardens, Chelsea.

—(London Express Service)

Short For Evening



A new creation by Pierre Balmain of Paris is this short dinner dress in white lace covered with mother-of-pearl sparkles. The neckline slashes down to the waist. The coat is of white pleats.

Rupert and the Toy Scout—2



Rupert cannot understand Podgy's silence, and for some moments he sits wondering whether to follow him. While he hesitates there are cheerful shouts, and more of his friends, first Willie the Mouse, and then Rex and Reggie Rabbit, hurry to join him. "Ho-ho-ho, you've got your ball," cries Willie. "Let's find some more pals and have a game." "I just saw Podgy," says Rupert, "but he wouldn't speak. He seemed to be busy thinking."

RUPERT and the WRONG PRESENTS



"What an odd thing for Podgy to do!" And they all put after the disappearing figure of their friend.

Then I started to play my guitar

The Egg Beater whirled around. The Flying Pan jumped up and down. The Toaster waltzed around so fast that he became red hot. The Butter melted. The Can Opener got his foot caught in a crack in the floor and stuck there like a lamp-post.

"And now Droom and Scrub Fall both live together in a tall new closet in the pantry."

BELGIAN CHALLENGE



There was an international flavour among the competitors in the first big golf competition of the season at Moor Park on April 16, the first day of the Silver King Tournament.

The picture shows last year's winner, Flory Van Donck (Belgium) in play on the West Course.—Central Press Photo.

Best Athletic Performances In Hongkong This Year

Best performances by Colony athletes in January, February, March and April follow:

100 METRES	
Stephen Xavier (La Salle)	10.0
Cheung Yat-hung (SCAA)	11.0
Wong Man-wan (SCAA)	11.2
E. Loureiro (La Salle)	11.3
L. Colloco (La Salle)	11.4
Fung Kuei-lee (Wah Yan)	11.4
Hung Kuei-lee (Wah Yan)	11.4
Quentin Ahn (KGVs)	11.5
Robert Wong (St Stephen's)	11.5
F.O.G.B.H. Norris	11.6
Quentin Ahn (KGVs)	11.6
Yeung Ying-kon (Wah Yan)	11.6
L. Bellamy (EYMCA)	11.6

200 METRES

Stephen Xavier (La Salle)	22.5
Sgt. Hamzah (RAF)	22.8
Shuk Ka-lim (Wah Yan)	23.0
Hung Kuei-lee (Wah Yan)	23.2
W.L. McCall (KGVs)	23.7
Norman Lo (University)	23.7
Wong Man-wan (SCAA)	23.7
Quentin Ahn (KGVs)	23.7
E. Loureiro (La Salle)	24.0
L. Bellamy (EYMCA)	24.0

400 METRES

Norman Lo (University)	52.7
L. Colloco (La Salle)	53.3
Lo Wing-chuen (La Salle)	53.6
Leung Kam-po (BAMC)	53.6
Y/O Walton (RAF)	54.1
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800 METRES

Sgt. J. P. MacMahon	2:02.0
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1,600 METRES

Sgt. J. P. MacMahon	4:27.5
L. Colloco (La Salle)	4:27.5
Cin. Frank Taylor (EYMCA)	4:27.5
Leung Kam-po (BAMC)	4:27.5
Sgt. J. P. MacMahon	4:27.5
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5,000 METRES

Gnr. E. Coburn (45 Field RA)	16:55.5
Sgt. P. M. Munro (Army)	17:11.0
L. Colloco (La Salle)	17:11.0
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10 METRES HURDLES

Chang Yat-hung (SCAA)	10.0
L. Colloco (La Salle)	10.0
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400 METRES HURDLES

L. Colloco (La Salle)	11.0
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LONG JUMP

Sgt. T. Moynan (Army)	21: 2
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HOP, STEP & JUMP

Cheung Yat-hung (SCAA)	43: 2
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SHOT PUT

Chan Chee-yuk (SCAA)	37:09.5
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DISCUS THROW

L. Colloco (La Salle)	112: 9
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JAVELIN THROW

Chan Chee-yuk (SCAA)	102: 4
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100 YARDS

Lam Kak-lan (SCAA)	12.5
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200 METRES

Jennifer Hart (KGVs)	29.1
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400 METRES

Paon Ching-woon (Pul To)	1:34
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800 METRES

Paon Ching-woon (Pul To)	3:14
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1,600 METRES

Paon Ching-woon (Pul To)	6:28
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THE HANDICAP MAN TURNS ON SOME OF THE FASTEST RUNNING EVER SEEN HERE

By "RECORDER"

Captain Norman Phillips proved himself right once more yesterday. Having already proved that athletics are within the province of the over-40s, he proceeded to demonstrate quite conclusively at Caroline Hill yesterday that the younger generation here is not running as fast as it could.

The Men's 200 Metres Handicap didn't prove anything except that the handicapping was exceptionally good. The 1,500 Metres produced the fastest running over the distance ever seen here. The Women's 200 Metres could have produced a new Colony record off scratch.

The 1,500 was quite a race with Gnr. E. Coburn, the same man who upset Peter West at 5,000 Metres in the Colony Championships, turning in a run of 40 metres that would have brought the Colony record down to 4 minutes 17 seconds if he had been off scratch. He was timed in 4:09.1 for 1,460 Metres.

Coburn also proved that he was the Colony's leading mile runner, not only holding off a challenge from the Colony Champion and record-holder Joe MacMahon, but winning by a comfortable margin with plenty to spare.

MacMahon, off 20 metres, was timed in 4:18, worth 4:23 over the full distance or some 4.5 seconds faster than his Colony record. He wasn't in the best of trim either and ran a badly judged race. Earlier, he had tried the 400 Metres, finishing third in about 56 seconds, which is considerably slower than he should be able to run—the distance in 2:02, his winning time at the Championships.

Jennifer Hart, off four metres, won the 200 Metres Handicap in 28.4 seconds, an effort worth 28.9 c. 20.0 for the full distance.

There was a blanket finish in the 200 Metres Handicap, with Lee Chiu-kit winning off 17 yards in 22 seconds, Shek Ka-lim coming in second in 22.2 seconds off 13 yards and Lee Wing-kai third off 18 yards, ahead of Sgt. Hamzah off eight yards and Stephen Xavier off five.

This race did not prove that Xavier could run faster than his Colony record of 22.5 seconds or his 22.1 over 220 Yards at Kai Tak nine days ago, which great run will not be accepted as a Colony record (the track was four feet five inches short).

However, Stephen will be given a chance to prove how fast he can go at Kai Tak on May 11 when he will run for the RAF in a quadrangular meet against the best sprinters in the Colony.

Stephen's effort yesterday was worth about 22.9 seconds and Sgt. Hamzah, coming in fourth, looked happier than he has been in a long time. Stephen had nipped him at the bend and then Hamzah poured it on and forged ahead.

TRIANGULAR MEET The triangular meet between the South China Athletic Association, the European YMCA and the Millicarians which was an accompaniment to the Handicap did not produce any outstanding results beyond an effort of 12 feet 9 inches in the Discus Throw by L. Colloco, the best throw of the year in Hongkong, and some good hop, step jumping.

The Shek brothers demonstrated the fact that they had not wasted their time watching the films recently shown on athletic technique. Shek Ka-lim produced his best long jump of the season in winning at 20 feet 6 inches, barely fouling an effort that would have been just over 21 feet, and Shek Ka-lim hop, stepped out

to 41 feet 7 inches, his competitive best, and repeated that on his second try.

Chang Yat-hung managed a triple jump of 42 feet 7 inches, Moyan one of 41 feet 0 inches and Carpenter one of 40 feet 11 1/2 inches.

The Millicarians had a good time in the Long Jump (17 feet 5 inches) and Lt. Carpenter in the High Jump (5 feet). Valerie Jilott proved that she was still queenpin among the high jumpers by clearing 4 feet 3 1/2 inches while the other joint record-holder, Jennifer Hart, the reigning Colony Champion, could only manage 4.3.-Joan A. Morton cleared 4.3 and won the medal. She had a two-inch handicap.

WEST BREAKS RECORD West proved that he wasn't quite a has-been by running the fastest ever 3,000 Metres in the Colony's history in 9 minutes 13 seconds, bettering the 9:14.8 mark set by Lau Man-ngau of South China AA in 1950.

The show-stealer was again Coburn and every Colony runner is now in jeopardy any time that MacMahon, Coburn and McCord meet over the 1,500 Metres and the Mile and Coburn and West over 3,000 or 5,000 Metres.

The Kai Tak meet on May 11 will include the 1,500 and 3,000 Metres as two of its main attractions, beside the two sprints with a new more confident Hamzah to challenge Xavier.

In addition, the meet will include an invitational Ladies' Long Jump and 400 Metres Relay. The relay is intended to feature King George V School, the South China Athletic Association, the French Convent School (with Lam Kak-lan on first or anchor leg), and the RAF or Girls' School (with Colony Champion Poon Ching-woon as its anchor).

Captain Phillips, who has yet to be proved wrong, believes that the Kai Tak track is the fastest in the Colony and that records will fall like leaves in autumn.

The Quadrangular Meet at Kai Tak will be between Royal Air Force (reinforced by the HKAAF), Army, South China Athletic Association and the Combined European YMCA and Selected.

The latter team, to be known for short as SS (Skip-ton's Spartans) will be made up from athletes who are not affiliated to Army, RAF or South China and of Services' athletes not selected for either RAF or Army. The best athletic talent in the Colony will all be on view.

THE RESULTS Ladies' 200 metres—J. Hart; 2. Lee Shok-lai; 3. Ng Sheung-kwai; Time: 24.4 sec.

Ladies' 400 metres—J. A. Thornton; 2. V. Jilott; 3. J. Hart; Time: 51.4 sec.

Men's 100 metres—J. Colloco; 2. Shek Ka-lim; 3. Lee Wing-kai; Time: 22.2 sec.

Men's 200 metres—J. Colloco; 2. Shek Ka-lim; 3. Lee Wing-kai; Time: 28.4 sec.

Men's 400 metres—J. Colloco; 2. Shek Ka-lim; 3. Lee Wing-kai; Time: 1:02.4 sec.

Men's 800 metres—J. Colloco; 2. Shek Ka-lim; 3. Lee Wing-kai; Time: 2:02.0 sec.

Men's 1,600 metres—J. Colloco; 2. Shek Ka-lim; 3. Lee Wing-kai; Time: 4:27.5 sec.

Men's 3,000 metres—J. Colloco; 2. Shek Ka-lim; 3. Lee Wing-kai; Time: 9:13.0 sec.

Men's 5,000 metres—J. Colloco; 2. Shek Ka-lim; 3. Lee Wing-kai; Time: 16:55.5 sec.

Men's 10,000 metres—J. Colloco; 2. Shek Ka-lim; 3. Lee Wing-kai; Time: 34:11.0 sec.

ARMY BEAT RAF 3-0



The Army beat the Royal Air Force 3-0 in the 26th Annual Inter-Services Hockey Tournament match played on the Officers' Club Ground at Aldershot. Picture shows a fine shot at goal after an individual effort by WOII J. Glaskin, R.E., the Army centre-forward.

Belgian Parliament May Yet Ban Boxing

Round two of the law banning boxing from Belgium got off to a fine start when a mixed commission of Socialist heavyweights, Liberal middleweights, Socialist Christian lightweights sat down to define "coups et blessures" and intent to injure.

The bill, introduced by a private member, calling for banishment of the noble art of fisticuffs from the kingdom, was heard in Parliament.

And members of the Ministry of Justice commission set up to examine the bill were in rare form.

No precious seconds were lost when the bell rang for the Deputies to assemble.

The champion of banishment, Monsieur Philippart, oozed confidence ever since he tabled the motion three months ago.

He has been undergoing rigorous training. He stood right up in the ring (Belgian Parliament is built in a hall circle) and delivered a straight Socialist left to the jaw.

SUPPRESSED AND FORBIDDEN "I want boxing and wrestling in all forms abolished, suppressed and forbidden," he said.

Rejoicing his corner, one of M. Philippart's seconds, M. Leclercq, took the stand. "I would like to make an amendment to the abolition of boxing," he said. "Why not leave the decision of yes or no,

where and when to King Baudouin when fights are proposed."

NO HASTE NECESSARY But a middleweight Liberal Deputy, M. Charpentier (pity there's an H in his name) saved the day. "Let's not be hasty about this thing. Let us study the question from all points of view before making a decision—we must clearly define 'coups et blessures' in relation to boxing before banning it."

Meanwhile, in his miniature emporium on the top floor of a cafe in downtown Brussels, Felix de Koninck, who graduated from the Mike Jacobs camp and is considered the miniature Solomons of Belgium, rubbed his hands with that "gate figure" look in his eyes and conceded: "At first I was very made wild men guys, but think about de gold from de gate if we're banned. Firms will pay twice the fee to see my budding champ."

"After de fines are paid, I shall be able to tell de income tax men not to bother. Vop, boxing is a cruel sport, let's ban it." (London Express Service)

Geoff Duke Scores Another Triumph Codogno, Italy, Apr. 27.

Geoff Duke, Britain's holder of the world motor-cycling championship, scored another triumph today when he out-classed his continental rivals to win the 500 c.c. race at the Codogno Grand Prix meeting here.

Riding a Norton he covered the 154 kilometres at an average speed of 131.787 kilometres an hour.

His time was 1 hr. 10 mins. 0.8 secs., and he beat Nelli Pagano (Italy), on a Gilera, by more than a mile.

Pagano just got second place behind his compatriot, Dorsani, on a Guzzi. The fastest lap was by Italy's Milani, on a Gilera, who covered his seventh lap of 3,880 metres in 1 min. 41.8 secs, a speed of 130.404 kilometres an hour.

Bruno Ratti (Italy), riding a Guzzi, won the 250 c.c. race at an average speed of 120.319 kilometres an hour for the 123.2 kilometres.

His time was 61 mins. 20.2 secs., and he beat T. Frickler (Germany), on a Guzzi, who finished in 62 mins. 8.2 secs.

S. Montanari (Italy), riding a Guzzi, was placed third although he had the same time as the German.—Reuter.

FOURTH IN FRANCE

Marseilles, Apr. 27.

After Britain's clean sweep in yesterday's 350 c.c. race, fourth place was the best position they gained in today's 500 c.c. Grand Prix motorcycle race here.

This was obtained by C. Brugliere who was six laps behind when Geoff (Belgium) completed the course in 1 hr. 3 mins. 1.3 secs., an average speed of 114.339 k.p.h.

Collet (France) was second in 1 hr. 8 mins. 37.1 secs., T. Ortueta (Spain) third, five laps behind.

All rode Norton machines.

Ortueta set a new lap record in today's race when he covered the 2,070 metres lap in 4 min. 22.8 secs., an average speed of 110.792 k.p.h.—Reuter.

GRUILLING TEST

Agadir, Apr. 27.

Abdelkader Zant (Algeria) won today's eleventh stage of the Morocco road cycle race over 245 kilometres from Marrakesh, over the famous

Tel test mountain road through the Atlas mountains.

Dos Reis (Morocco) was second and Driss Ben Abdesslem (Morocco) third.

Zant finished in 8 hrs. 10 mins. 16 secs, with Dos Reis 2 mins. 58 secs. behind and Ben Abdesslem, another eight seconds in the rear.

Tomorrow's 12th stage covers 170 kilometres to Mogador.

The present leaders in the general classification are unchanged, Ghechero (Italy) leading with 62 hrs. 28 mins. 47 secs., followed by Marcel Huber (Switzerland) with 62 hrs. 27 mins. 4 secs., and Maurice Blinck (Belgium) with 62 hrs. 30 mins. 46 secs.—Reuter.

ITALIAN SUCCESS

Marseilles, Apr. 27.

Several tens of thousands of spectators from all parts of France today watched the Italian racing pilot, Ascari, drive his two and one half litre Ferrari to victory when he covered the 350 kilometres of the Grand Prix of Marseilles in three hours.

He averaged 110.853 kilometres per hour.

The second place was taken by the French ace, Robert Manzon, on a French-made Simca-Gordini, while a Belgian racer also driving a Gordini, obtained the third place.

During the race, which was practically led by Ascari all along, several cars were abandoned following mechanical trouble.

This is the second international race of the season.

COMBINED SERVICES SHOULD HAVE BEATEN CHINESE IN VICTORY SHIELD MATCH

Says "SPIV"

The Combined Services and the Hongkong Chinese Football Association fought to a thrilling 2-2 draw in the first match of the Victory Shield competition at Sookunpoo yesterday and will play the deciding match on May 6.

Stripped of their stars, who are away in Singapore, both sides yesterday served the huge crowd with a clean, fast and rousing brand of soccer.

Play was fairly even in the first half, but in the second half the Combined Services dominated the exchanges and with a little luck and better shooting power against the tiring Chinese XI they might have scored at least the winning goal.

The Services set a fast pace and maintained it till the end. Adopting the right tactics from the beginning, they time and again nipped the Chinese moves in the bud, kicking them in their own half-line.

These offensive tactics did give the Chinese their quota of through runs in the middle, but certain ball control by the forwards, and the excellent work of Gammon, at goal and the fine covering of the two full-backs, Barnicle and Kirkland, kept the Chinese score to only two goals.

BLITZKRIEG TACTICS
The Services forward line put up a fighting display and exerted their combined tactics with successful blitzkrieg tactics rather than shrewd passes. Outstanding among them was right-winger Johnson, whose speed, good ball-control and shooting ability made him a constant danger to the Chinese defence.

McGregor made a forceful inside-right and Davey was a tireless centre-forward. The Services forwards had more of the attack, but although the two Chinese full-backs were far from their usual form, found themselves up against a brilliant Yue Yiu-tak at goal and a consistent spoiler in centre-half Ng Kee-chung. Yue made at least two almost miraculous saves.

The Chinese forwards were never able to settle down to

really good constructive moves except on a few rare occasions. Chia Man-chi was the pick of the offence, sending his forwards through repeatedly with well-directed passes which were more often than not spoiled by slow and poor shooting.

THE PLAY

Combined Services kicked off with the ball behind them and immediately subjected the Chinese goal to repeated attacks. Davey got through in the middle but was tackled by Ng. A good cross centre by Johnson went all the way across the goal mouth, and a long shot by McGregor sailed over the bar.

It was Gammon, however, in the Services' goal who was first severely tested.

Kwok Ying-lok got through in the middle to a through pass and with only Gammon to beat sent in a rising shot, which was brilliantly deflected by Gammon for a fruitless corner.

Gammon was seen in an offside position when he blocked a close-range waist-high shot from Lee Hung-kee. The Services took the lead in the 17th minute after another wave of assault on the Chinese goal.

A high ball from the Services right-half was headed back towards Johnson to the goal-mouth. Davey deflected the ball with another header, catching Yue Yiu-tak off balance.

The Chinese protested that Davey had handled the ball before heading it, but the referee, after consultation with the linesmen, allowed the goal.

The Chinese equalised almost immediately. Gammon rushed out to a high centre from right-winger Lee Hung-kee and punched the ball, which, however, went to the feet of Hau Ching-to. Hau easily trapped the ball and drove it into the empty goal.

One minute after the re-kick-off, the Chinese took the lead. Centre-forward Kwok Ying-lok gathered a through pass, stripped the defence and approaching at point blank range drove the ball hard almost straight at Gammon.

The Services goalkeeper gallantly stopped the shot but was not quick enough to get in the net.

way of the follow-up shot by Kwok.

At the interval the score was 2-1 in favour of the Chinese.

On the resumption, the Services were again on the offensive. After a splendid save by Yue Yiu-tak off McGregor, the Services obtained their equaliser in the 15th minute.

A low centre by left-winger Thompson was taken by Dalziel whose drive, however, was stopped by Yue. Davey followed up and crashed the ball into the net.

Excitement ran high during the remaining period of play as both sides strove to score the winning goal.

The Services nearly went into the lead, but a close-in drive by Davey, saw Yue execute his second brilliant save of the day.

Another Services opportunity went begging soon afterwards, when in a melee in front of the goalmouth Dalziel headed the ball just wide of the mark.

At the other end, Gammon was seen in a number of spectacular saves, including point blank shots from Hau Ching-to and Kwok Ying-lok in succession.

LEAGUE CRICKET

RAF Finish As Runners-up In Both Divisions

The Championships of both divisions of the Cricket League were decided on Saturday when Royal Air Force failed in their bid at Kai Tak against Optimists to finish joint winners in the First Division and at Kowloon Cricket Club to finish winners of the Second Division.

As a result, Army "A" and KCC 2nd XI are the champions. The Optimists, turning out one of their strongest teams this season in the Kai Tak match, including Bob Craig, who took eight RAF wickets for 45 runs, proved too strong for RAF.

Noel Arthy and G.H.P. Fritchard began by putting on 18 runs for the first wicket and by the time that George Rowe and Rory MacPherson had been disposed of the score was 98. Optimists finally declared at 178 for nine wickets.

This would not have been an impossible figure for RAF to reach, but the batting machine of Kingdard, Wilson, Moonhouse and Ball was back in the pavilion and 28 runs and Craig continued happily with his wicket-taking. RAF did achieve a draw despite this, losing only nine wickets for 92 runs.

APPROPRIATE
The deciding match in the Second Division—between Dockyard and RAF 2nd XI—was played at Cox's Road and four members of the Royal Naval Dockyard Club, particularly underestimating themselves to the large KCC turnout.

They were W. Lewis (6 for 18) and G. Harris (4 for 20), who dismissed the Almen for 48 runs and B. Tucker (10) and C. Hughes (18 not out) and defeated RAF's Spencer and Thompson after four wickets had gone for 23 runs.

The Almen had a particularly bad day, Spencer, who hit up 23 runs and took four wickets for 23, being the only member of the team who showed any form.

True Arsenal is not too bad with two wins, two draws and two defeats—not counting the April 20 games—beat Newcastle last week, four drawn one and won only two.

Newcastle's draw was with Arsenal—their Wembley rivals—but can anybody say that this hectic struggle for League points is good preparation for a Cup final?

Whether the long period of this season is an exception can only be answered by future happenings—the final was in April last season—but there is a large body of opinion which considers it far too long and who hope it will not be repeated.

One other point is that May 3, this year's final date, can produce hot summer weather, quite alien to the winter game, while such an advanced date must mean a serious clash with king cricket.—Reuter.

FINAL STANDINGS
First Division
Army "A" 20 14 5 1 61
RAF 20 14 2 4 53
KCC 20 13 5 2 57
Optimists 18 7 6 5 34
Recreio 17 6 5 6 23
Indian RC 15 5 4 10 24
Craigengow 14 4 10 20
Royal Navy 14 3 9 19
Army "B" 14 4 10 18
University 10 2 12 10

Second Division
KCC 18 14 3 1 59
RAF 18 14 2 2 58
Dockyard 14 10 1 3 41
KGVs 13 7 3 0 31
Police 14 8 0 0 32
Indian RC 10 6 2 8 20
Recreio 13 4 1 1 17
DPS 17 3 3 11 15
Royal Navy 11 1 3 7 17
University 13 1 2 10 1

STARS OF THE TRACK



Stirling Moss, young British racing ace (left) and world champion m/cyclist, Geoffrey Duke.—Central Press Photo.

Will The 2,000 Guineas Be A Two-Horse Race?

London, Apr. 27.

The first classic of the British racing season, the 2,000 Guineas, to be run over one mile at Newmarket on Wednesday is virtually a two-horse race if the antepost betting is a true reflection of the runners' chances.

Mr John Dewar's Agitator and Lord Rosebery's Rob Major dominate the market with only the French challengers among the others claiming more than a passing attention.

Unbeaten Agitator, the mount of champion jockey Gordon Richards, will be the only representative from the mighty Bechempton Stable, run by Noel Murless, which has produced so many classic winners in the past.

The colt's ready win in the 2,000 Guineas Trial Stakes at Kempton Park a fortnight ago consolidated his position as favourite and he is virtually certain to be first choice in the market when they go to the post. Murless had other candidates in the race with credentials impressive enough to suggest that they could win but they have been dropped in favour of Agitator, an indication of the stable confidence behind this filer.

FILLS THE BILL
Last time the stable took the 2,000 Guineas was in 1947 when Tudor Minstrel, also owned

by Mr Dewar, landed favourite's odds of 11-8 against. At that time Fred Darling won the time master of Bechempton so Murless is looking to Agitator to give him his first 2,000 Guineas success.

Agitator's breeding fills the bill for the task. He is by the successful Italian sire Nuncio out of the Solario mare Sedition.

There would be an element of loyalty in a victory for Rob Major over Agitator for Lord Rosebery's colt is by Tudor Minstrel, Bechempton's and Mr Dewar's winner in 1947.

Tudor Minstrel's stock are not renowned as stayers and before Rob Major had made his debut of the season in the Blue Riband Trial Stakes at Epsom this week some critics considered that he would not stay the mile at Newmarket.

DOUBTS DISPELLED
They had evidence for this belief in his defeat over six furlongs as a two-year-old after romping away with four races over a furlong less.

But after the colt's display over the testing one mile 110 yards at Epsom doubts about his stamina have been dispelled. He was beaten by a matter of inches but was travelling so fast at the post that in another few yards he would have been in front.

He did not have the best of luck in the running, having to be switched to the outside of the winner inside the distance, but he showed his heart when they met the rising ground at the finish. Those astute judges, the layers, were so impressed that they knocked two points off his price at that night's call-over at the Victoria Club, London.

Chavez Down will take his chance in the Guineas and

should make a good show though it is hard to visualise him getting the better of Rob Major.—Reuter.

Club de Recreio Retain The Lusitania Cup

For the fourth year in succession, Club de Recreio beat the Kowloon Bowling Green Club in the annual Lusitania Cup Lawn Bowls match held at Austin Road yesterday by 211-170 shots.

Donated by bowlers of Recreio in 1949, the Lusitania Cup is contested for annually at the beginning of the lawn bowls season by the Recreio and KBGC.

At the conclusion of the match yesterday, Mr A.L.G. Eastman (President of KBGC) presented the Cup to the winners.

At a cocktail party that followed, members of both Clubs toasted each other for the goodwill existing between the two organisations and the continuance of that friendship.

Following were the results: L. M. Rodrigues, J. L. S. Alves, G. A. Rozario and C. F. Ferreira (Recreio) lost to C. Richard, A. Buchanan, C. E. F. Thompson, and A. Harvey 15-23.

J. A. Rocha, C. A. Alves, C. P. Basto and C. A. Rozario lost to E. W. Rosten, P. Kennedy, K. Bedie and G. C. Norman 19-27.

J. A. Rocha, N. A. Beltrao, J. J. Barrio and B. P. Marques lost to G. MacKrell, R. H. Browne, J. G. Meyer and D. Trail 19-28.

J. S. Silva, J. F. Silva, J. C. Remedios and C. E. Passos lost to W. Russell, G. Hill, E. Purvis and R. Robertson 20-25.

M. F. Ferreira, P. A. Costa, M. A. Baptista and J. F. Ribeiro lost to G. Shaw, W. G. Frost, H. F. Shields and W. Williamson 11-14.

R. M. V. Ribeiro, C. F. Marques, G. A. Noronha and L. F. Xavier beat E. F. S. Baker, L. B. Jones, J. W. Tindall and A. L. G. Eastman 25-12.

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June 30 Ominous For Some Players

London, Apr. 27.
Many footballers cannot be looking forward to June 30 when some may be told in the politest terms no doubt, "Your services are no longer required."

June 30 is the date when football league contracts terminate and are renewed but the fact that some clubs intend to economise by a reduction of staff suggests that there may be more terminations than renewals. One source puts the percentage of clubs intending to reduce staff as high as 50, a figure arrived at by the knowledge that the number of players named as available for transfer is larger than at any other time since the war.

The position does not surprise officials of the Players' Union whose Chairman stated that there are nowadays about 3,000 professional footballers compared with 2,500 before the war. He thinks that any players who do not have their contracts renewed will be granted free transfers, a move that would be all for the good of the game.

Some clubs with an admittedly large staff have on their books a number of youngsters who were signed with the hope that in a year or two they would blossom into stars.

Whether clubs can afford to indulge in this somewhat expensive luxury of investment remains to be seen in these days of rising costs.

Increased admission charges may well lead to reduced attendances and smaller gates in the financial sense while increased wages put the costs to a club on the other side of the ledger. To make some sort of a balance, it seems certain that staff reductions must follow and so June 30 must be an ominous date for professional footballers.—Reuter.

ANNUAL APPEAL

To help those who cannot help themselves is the aim of The Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children.

Donations should be addressed to the Hon. Treasurers, Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children, P. O. Box 2502; or to the newspapers.

Membership \$ 15
Life \$200

DON'T WASTE WATER

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB SEVENTH RACE MEETING

Saturday 10th and Saturday 17th May, 1952

(Held under the Rules of The Hong Kong Jockey Club)

There are 20 races. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m. each day.

Through Tickets (20 Races)—\$40.00 may be obtained at the Comptroller Office of the Club, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the "Hong Kong Derby" scheduled to be run on 31st May, 1952.

Through Tickets reserved for this meeting but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 9th May, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

THERE WILL BE NO SPECIAL CASH SWEEP ON THE LAST RACE.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Offices at Telephone House, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Offices at: 5, D'Aguiar Street, Hong Kong or 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

TOTALISATOR
The attention of Totalisator Investors is drawn to the following rules:—

Dividends will be paid on the winning and placed ponies so declared by the Stewards when the "All Clear" is given. The "All Clear" signal will be indicated by a white light at the Totalisator Tower. BACKERS ARE ADVISED NOT TO DESTROY OR THROW AWAY THEIR TICKETS UNTIL AFTER THE "ALL CLEAR" SIGNAL HAS BEEN EXHIBITED.

Totalisator Tickets should be examined and checked before leaving the Selling Counters as mistakes of any description cannot be rectified later.

Cash received in respect of Dividends should be checked before leaving the Pay-Out Counters as no claim for short payment of the value of tickets presented can be entertained once Investors have left the Counters.

All winning tickets and tickets for refunds must be presented for payment at the Race Course on the day to which they refer, but none will be paid later than one hour after the time for which the last race of the day has been scheduled to be run.

In no circumstances will any Dividends be paid or refunds made unless a ticket is produced. Payment WILL NOT be made on torn or disfigured tickets.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE
Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' enclosure and the Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax, for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary at Telephone House, on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills, etc.

Only a limited number of badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will be on sale at the Race Course.

The Branch Offices and the Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 11.00 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. each day. The Treasurers' Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office are situated at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27318).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE
The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$3.00 per day including tax for all persons including Ladies, and will be payable at the Gate.

BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN, ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PRECINCTS OF HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

SERVANTS' PASSES
Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

Owing to the congestion in the Members' Betting Hall and at Booths adjacent to Boxes in the Coffee Room, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Hall. Military Police will be posted at various points in the enclosure to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.

By Order, H. MISA, Secretary.

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PATTY WINS PARIS TITLE

Paris, Apr. 27.
The United States tennis star, Hudge Patty, today won the Paris International championship held at Roland-Garros Stadium when she beat the Argentine player, Enrique Morea, by 6-2, 6-4, 6-1.

The women's singles title was won by Anne Marie Seghers of France who beat another French woman, Raymondne Jones-Verber, 6-4, 5-7, 8-6.

The mixed doubles fell to the French team, Jacqueline Paterni-Jean Borotra, which beat the Belgian-Argentine team—Francine Isaac and Alcio Russell, by 4-6, 6-4, 7-5.—France-Press.

Too Long An Interval Between The Cup Semi-finals And Final?

London, Apr. 27.

It is difficult to realise that since qualifying for the Cup final Newcastle and Arsenal will have played respectively eight and seven League games before their Cup meeting. That includes the final League engagements this week-end.

Compare this with other sports, lawn tennis, golf, in fact, any which have a knock-out system of elimination where the final follows within a day of the semi-finals. It raises a sound argument in favour of reducing the interval between semi-final and final of the football competition.

It could not perhaps be expected that the Cup ties could follow within a day of each other or even a week for there is always the League programme which helps to extend the periods between rounds of the Cup.

The intervention of the Easter week-end, of course, with most clubs having three engagements helps to swell the number of League fixtures, between the last two rounds of the Cup. Yet many people cannot understand why the Cup should provide the final fixture of the season and maintain that League play is, after all, the backbone of the game.

To get the Cup competition over quickly would allow clubs to concentrate on their League position.

In this connection, Arsenal fans can argue that the club's presence in the Cup final has cost them the League championship. Many feel that had the Cup final been played, say, within three weeks of the semi-final, then Arsenal would have been in a better frame of mind for those vital League games which have meant all the difference between winning and finishing second in the championship race.

QUESTION OF NERVES
There is also this question of nerves with the Cup final still

in the future, and no power on earth will convince people that both Arsenal and Newcastle have thought of little else in recent weeks. That must be the outstanding thought when looking at the records of the teams in those many fixtures they have played since qualifying for the final.

True Arsenal is not too bad with two wins, two draws and two defeats—not counting the April 20 games—but Newcastle has lost four, drawn one and won only two.

Newcastle's draw was with Arsenal—their Wembley rivals—but can anybody say that this hectic struggle for League points is good preparation for a Cup final?

Whether the long period of this season is an exception can only be answered by future happenings—the final was in April last season—but there is a large body of opinion which considers it far too long and who hope it will not be repeated.

One other point is that May 3, this year's final date, can produce hot summer weather, quite alien to the winter game, while such an advanced date must mean a serious clash with king cricket.—Reuter.

Manila Gains Lead Over Madrid

Madrid, Apr. 27.

Manila beat Madrid in the junior tennis championship, 2-1, to take the lead in the Club de Recreio today.

Results—Singles: Juan Kleck, Manila, beat Antonio Sanchez, Madrid, 6-1, 6-2. Juan Couder, Madrid (Spanish Champion), beat Juan Maria Jose, Manila, 6-0, 6-4.

Doubles: Manuele Elzade and Juan Maria Jose, Manila, beat Inci Llaine and Juan Couder, Madrid, 4-6, 6-4 and 9-7.

The second and final part of the tournament will take place on Tuesday.—France-Press.

Manchester U. & Spurs To Tour U.S. & Canada

London, Apr. 27.

Two of England's finest soccer teams—Manchester United and Tottenham Hotspur—will tour the United States and Canada in May and June.

Both Manchester United, winners of the English League Championship this season, and Tottenham Hotspur, League Champions in 1950-51, have tough schedules lined up. The two English teams will face each other in Toronto on June 14 and in New York on June 16.—Associated Press.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the 7th Race Meeting 1952 to be held on Saturday 10th and Saturday 17th May, 1952, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Telephone House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 1st May, 1952.

By Order, H. MISA, Secretary.

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"SINKIANG"	Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka & Kobe	5 p.m. 1st May
"SHENGKING"	Keelung	5 p.m. 3rd May
"HUPEI"	Tientsin	10 a.m. 4th May
"SZECHUEN"	Singapore & Penang	5 p.m. 5th May
"SOOCHOW"	Hankow	10 a.m. 10th May
"SIENKING"	Djakarta, Semarang, Sourabaya & Macassar	5 p.m. 10th May
"FENGNING"	Singapore & Penang	40 a.m. 13th May
"FUKIEN"	Singapore & Penang	10 a.m. 20th May

ARRIVALS FROM

"FOOCHOW"	Osaka	28th Apr.
"HUPEI"	Tientsin	29th Apr.
"SINKIANG"	Hankow	29th Apr.
"SZECHUEN"	Keelung	1st May
"SOOCHOW"	Singapore	1st May
"SIENKING"	Sibu	1st May
"FENGNING"	Yokohama	5th May
"FUKIEN"	Kobe	8th May
"FUNGING"	Japan	10th May
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"FUKIEN"	Kobe	17th May

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"TAIYUAN"	Sydney & Melbourne	24th May

ARRIVALS FROM

"TAIYUAN"	Australia & Manila	In Port
"CHANGTE"	Kure	7th May
"TAIYUAN"	Moji	21st May

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"AENEAS"	Liverpool & Dublin	Noon 29th Apr.
"PERSEUS"	Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow	8th May
"AUTOMEDON"	Genoa & Rotterdam	22nd May
"PYRRHUS"	Dublin & Liverpool	26th May
"PYRRHUS"	Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow	6th June

SAILINGS FROM EUROPE

Ship	Destination	Arrives Hong Kong
S. "AGAMEMNON"	Liverpool	27th Apr.
G. "CALCHAS"	Sailed	5th May
S. "AUTOMEDON"	do	11th May
G. "PYRRHUS"	do	17th May
S. "ATREUS"	do	23rd May
G. "BELLEROPHON"	do	31st May
S. "CYCLOPS"	5th May	10th June
G. "PELUS"	12th May	17th June
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"BENDORAN"	U.K. via Singapore	17th May
"BENMACDHUI"	Japan	25th May
"BENVORLICH"	U.K. via Singapore	4th June
"BENWYVIS"	U.K. via Singapore	14th June

SAILINGS Loading on or abt.

"BENLEDI"	(Direct to Singapore, thence Liverpool, Dublin & Hamburg.)	16th May
"BENDORAN"	London, Rotterdam & Hull.	21st May
"BENMACDHUI"	(Direct to Singapore, thence Havre, London & Antwerp.)	26th May
"BENVORLICH"	Kure, Yokohama & Kobe.	8th June
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WE, THE CONCORDIA STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED of 701/7 Edinburgh House, Hong Kong, hereby give notice that in consequence of change of ownership, we have applied to the Minister of Transport, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the Steamship "MASULA" of HONG KONG REGISTRY Official Number 141904 Gross tonnage 7321 tons Register tonnage 4655 tons, heretofore owned by BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD., OF LONDON for permission to change her name to "JOLLY" and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of HONG KONG as owned by THE CONCORDIA STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED.

Any objection to the proposed change of name must be sent to the REGISTRAR OF SHIPPING at HONG KONG within SEVEN days from the appearance of this advertisement.

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Notice To Shareholders

Notice is hereby given that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office of the Society, Union Building, Hongkong, on Thursday, 22nd May 1952 at 11.30 a.m. to receive the Directors' Report and the Statement of Accounts, to declare a dividend and to transact the ordinary business of the Society.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 3rd May to 22nd May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.
L. B. STONE,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1952.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

S. S. "TAIYUAN"

Arrived 27th April, 1952

Damaged cargo ex this vessel will be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf Godown at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday 29th April and Wednesday, 30th April, 1952, and consignees representatives are requested to be present during survey.

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China Navigation Co., Ltd.

ANOTHER BOMB TEST IN NEVADA

Las Vegas, Nevada, Apr. 27.

Approximately 2,150 picked Marines are making final preparations for the third atomic manoeuvre in United States history, which is expected to be conducted on Tuesday morning if weather conditions permit at the Yucca Flat A-bomb test site.

They were flown in from Camp Pendleton, California, near San Diego and Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

Tuesday's manoeuvre will be an all-Marine show. Previously, army infantrymen, paratroopers and air force ground troops have met the atom on simulated battlegrounds.

In the first atomic manoeuvre in history last autumn, 5,000 troops sat on the ground seven miles from a medium-sized A-bomb which was exploded 2,000 feet in the air. Their backs were to the blast. Last Tuesday, 1,500 soldiers and air force troops crouched in foxholes face down only four miles away when an A-bomb blast, which might have been the "most violent ever set off within the U.S., exploded 3,500 feet in the sky.

The Marines are expected to occupy the same foxholes and trenches used in this week's first "public" A-bomb burst. This time the Press and the civilian observers will not be permitted to watch from inside the test site. Another air force B-50 flying at about 10,000 feet will probably drop the new A-bomb in a fashion similar to the last test.—United Press.

Cattle Breeder Dead

Hasfield, Herts, Apr. 27.
The death is announced today of Dugald Mackay, 58, of Hasfield, whose herd of Ayrshire cattle was one of the finest in the world.

Mr Mackay was founder member of the Ayrshire Cattle Breeders' Association of England and Wales, and he judged stock at shows in all parts of the British Isles.

He was also a successful exhibitor, and in 1939 won the Ayrshire championship at the Centenary Royal Show at Windsor.—Reuter.

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"ORDIA"	due 11th May sails 12th May	from Persian Gulf for Japan
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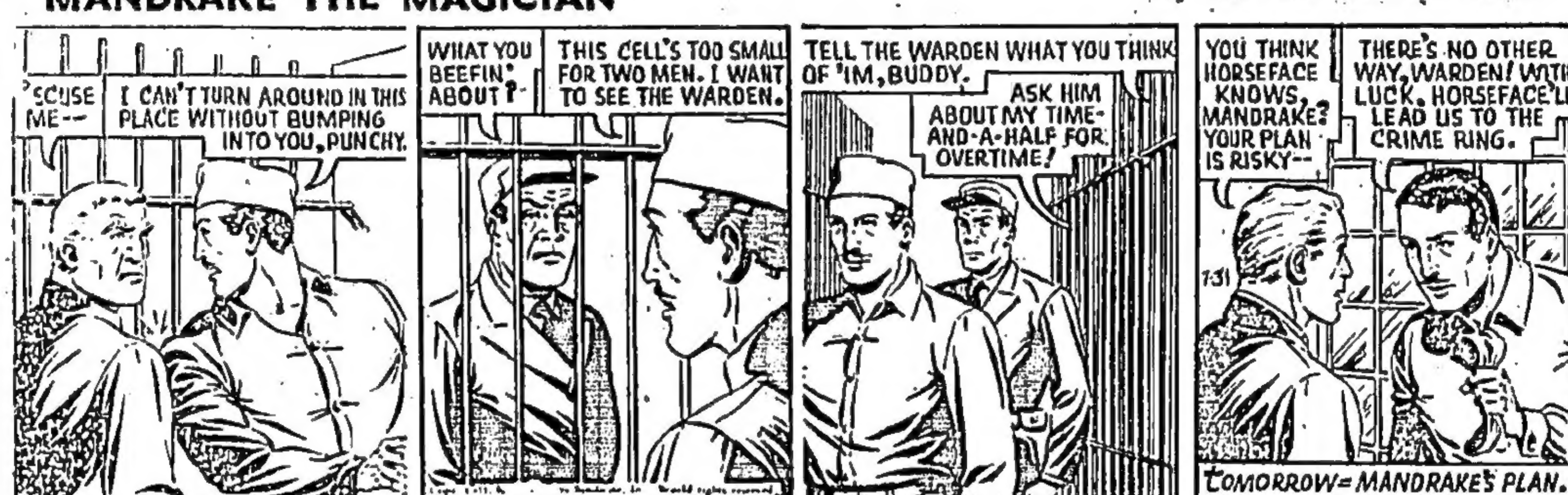
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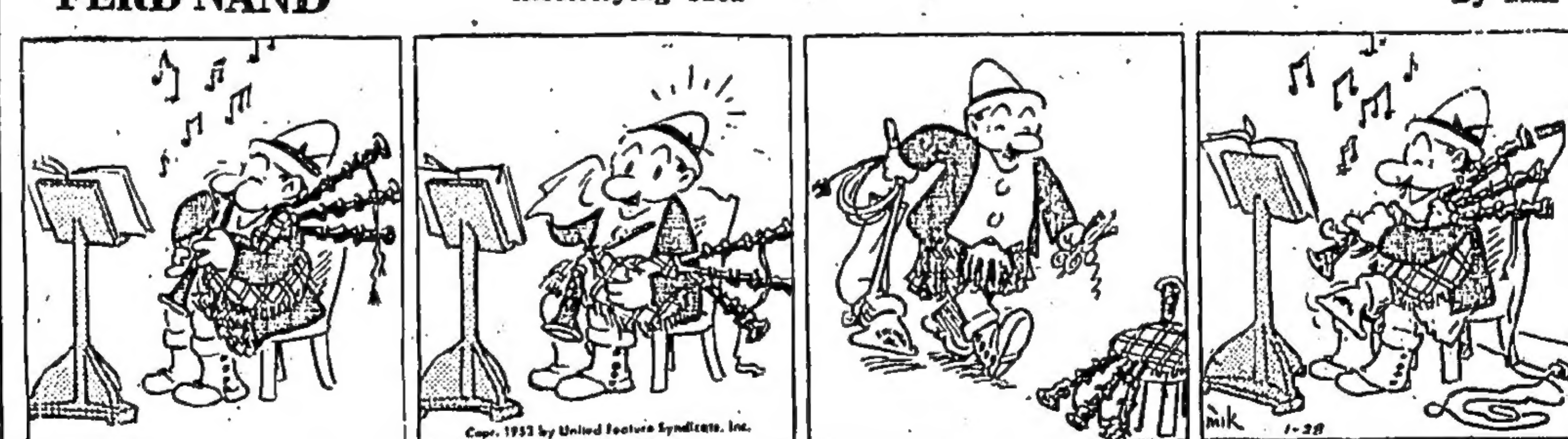
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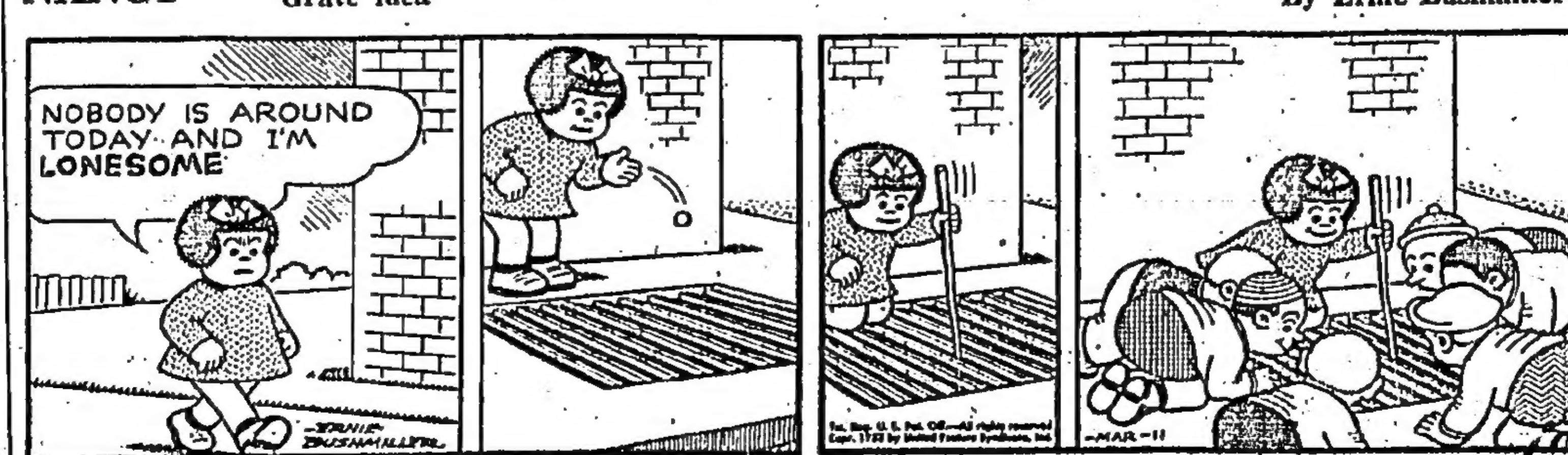
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INDIANS IN CEYLON TO PROTEST

Colombo, Apr. 28.

The Ceylon Indian Congress has decided to launch a Satyagraha (passive resistance) today (Monday) as a protest against the disenfranchisement by the Government of Ceylon of 200,000 Indian residents.

The Action Council of the Congress took the step last night in pursuance of a decision of the recent annual session of the Congress.

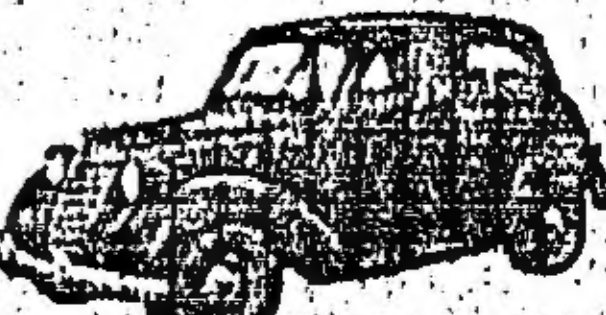
About 200 candidates from various political parties in Ceylon are filing nominations today for the general election, which takes place next month.

In a Press note, the Ceylon Indian Congress said: "In launching the Satyagraha, Congress seeks to appeal to the country's conscience. There is and there can be in the movement no trace of intimidation or violation of the Government or any section of the people."

Congress declared that by the Satyagraha they wanted to focus public attention on the need for securing a citizenship law that is reasonable and fair and the immediate restoration of the franchise to those deprived of it, to enable them to exercise it at the forthcoming general elections.—Reuter.

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Crown Jewels In Milan Court

Rome, Apr. 27.

Spanish Crown Jewels worth £60,000 were shown today in a Milan court.

Don Jaime of Bourbon, who inherited them from his father, King Alfonso, is claiming them from his former wife Emanuela Dampierre, whom he divorced in 1947. The case was adjourned.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES



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Improvement On London Exchange

London, Apr. 27. For the fourth successive week the stock markets have improved. Headaches caused by the new monetary policy are obviously passing.

Most British Government loans can be purchased in any irregular amount—you can buy shillings worth of Old Consols, for example, if you don't mind paying heavy charges for commissions etc. on the transaction.

Investment demand for British Government stocks is now persistent.

The "Financial Times" index of Government securities, which declined on March 12, when the four per cent bank rate was announced, and fell to 92.73, closed this week at 94.71.

The index of leading industrial shares closed at 141.1, a new high for this month and for the last month.

There was some speculative selling, with Dunlops pressed and down 2/-. Vickers down 1/3d. and Imperial Tobacco down 1/3d.

Oils were active but well mixed. Shell and Canadian Eagle were strong on dividend expectations but both Royal Dutch at 27% and Anglo-Iranian at 2.5% were down 1/2%.

Japanese bonds were easily the most active security every day and in every way, but the net result at the close of the week was not impressive. South Manchurian lost 2 1/2 to 2.04 and 1930's lost 2 1/2 to 2.04.

—United Press.

PRICE INDEX

London, Apr. 26.

"The Economist" index of wholesale prices closed at 224.0, compared with 226.0 the previous week and 220.9 a year ago.

—United Press.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Volume of business done on the Stock Exchange this morning showed a slight improvement over last week, with Exos and Wheelocks most in demand. Business totalled \$143,118. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

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ABC Bank 1375 1395

East Asia 140

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TWO CRUCIAL PROBLEMS
British Economic Survey On Task Ahead

American Policy Attacked

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 26.

"America was accused by a Malayan trade official today of stalling all efforts by Britain and the British Commonwealth to bridge the dollar gap."

C. C. Thornton, President of the Malayan States Chamber of Commerce, told the Chamber's annual meeting here that the decline in the price of rubber had not been matched by reductions in cost to the sterling area of American products, some of which was Government subsidised.

Mr Thornton said the prospect this year was that Malaya's contribution of dollars would be substantially less than 1951 when it amounted to US\$320,000,000.

Commenting on the relaxation by the United States Government of controls on consumption of natural rubber and the return in that market to free trading, Mr Thornton said the announcement had been received in Malaya with guarded approval.

However, he said, natural rubber producers were still far from their goal of free and open competition with synthetic.

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Country Can Save Itself Only By Its Own Efforts

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Apr. 27.

Publication of the Government's economic survey for 1952 adds little to what was already known about the problems facing this country and the course we must now pursue to overcome them.

As was only to be expected the survey dwells at some length on the most difficult problem of all—the serious balance of payments situation which developed with such alarming speed in the second half of last year.

But, in dealing with this most intricate problem, it adds little or nothing to previous statements on the subject by the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

In general, however, the survey is a useful document. It demonstrates more clearly than ever what many people have still failed to grasp—that this country can avoid bankruptcy only by its own efforts.

A good deal has already been said about this but there are still many people who believe the situation does not call for any special action. Indeed, it is possible to argue, as some observers have, that the Government itself has underestimated the immensity of the task ahead.

The Government has apparently found no cause to depart from the reasoning of Mr Butler's Budget speech that our overseas payments can be balanced by a combination of specific controls and semi-fatalistic influences.

Its belief, for instance, that we shall benefit to the extent of £250 million from a favourable movement in terms of trade and an increase in our invisible earnings, seems to many independent economists to be a dangerously optimistic assumption.

British export prices reached a new low during March while, for the fourth month in succession, the price of our imports showed no change on balance.

NO REAL HOPE

This resulted in a fall of one point in terms of the trade index, which now stands at the same level as for last October and November.

While it is true that the terms of trade have moved slightly in our favour since the beginning of the year the movement has not been sufficiently marked to hold out any real hope that the Government's forecast will be confirmed.

Such improvement as did take place in our terms of trade in the first quarter was due almost entirely to the rise in price of our exports of metal goods, offsetting the much sharper fall in the price of textile exports.

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Slow Business In Textiles

New York, Apr. 27.

All the basic textile markets again reported a week of slow business. Continuing hopes for a Korean truce, plus the reactionary swing in the stock and commodity markets, appeared to be the chief influences shaping the policy of buyers.

In cotton gray goods a few mills, anxious to book business for the third and fourth quarters, accepted orders on the basic 80-square 4-yard print to number at concessions of 1/4 cent's a yard from the current bid of around 9 1/2 cents a yard.—United Press.

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